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PRESIDENTIAL TICKET

For Independent American Bimetallism and People's Government.

For President, WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN, of Nebraska. For Vice-President, THOMAS WATSON, of Georgia.

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BANKER'S CRY OF "ANARCHIST."

The Associated Press writer who is reporting the banker's meeting in St. Louis, seems anxious to impress on his readers the financial solidity of the money bags in attendance. "They represent more wealth," he tells us, "than ever came together in this city at one time. The delegates present from all parts of the country represent at least a billion dollars."

It is evident this man doesn't possess horse sense. He is puffed up with his excess of wealth. He hasn't the sagacity to see that our social condition is now bringing forth its dead, and that every man will be required to give an account of himself. How did he come by his much-prized millions? Has he given society an equivalent in useful services? In this uprising, which some call a revolution, it would be prudent for such as he not to protest too much.

"We cannot disguise the truth that we are on the verge of an impending revolution. The old issues are dead. The people are arraying themselves upon one side or the other of a portentous contest."

"On one side is capital, formidably entrenched in privilege, arrogant from continued triumph, conservative, tenacious of old theories, demanding new concessions, enriched by domestic levy and foreign commerce, and struggling to adjust values to its own standard. On the other is labor, asking for employment, striving to develop domestic industries, battling with the forces of nature, and subduing the wilderness; labor, starving and sullen in cities, resolutely determined to overthrow a system under which the rich are growing richer and the poor are growing poorer; a system which gives to a Vanderbilt the possession of wealth beyond the dreams of avarice and condemns the poor to poverty which has no refuge from starvation but the prison or the grave."

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BISMARCK VS. M'KINLEY.

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legislation which will result in lower prices." After 30 years of that kind of policy, he tells you that the people were suffering from low prices, and that no country ever suffered when prices were fairly remunerative in every field of labor.

"Now, let me read you again what he says in this same report: 'This great industry,' speaking of agriculture, 'is foremost in magnitude and importance in our country. Success and prosperity are possible to other industries if agriculture prospers.' That's what he said in 1890, that there was depression in agriculture after thirty years of his tariff policy, and without prosperity in agriculture there could be no prosperity among the leading industries of the country. Let me read you just one more extract: 'The depression in agriculture is not confined to the United States. The reports of the agricultural department indicate that this distress is general; that Great Britain, France and Germany are suffering in a larger degree than the farmers of the United States.' There he is telling us that there is a depression in agriculture, and giving the names of three prominent agricultural nations of the Old World and telling us that agricultural depression is even more marked over there than it is here. I want you to remember that when you read in the papers that he has said that for thirty years we had such marvelous prosperity in this country. [Great applause.]

BRYAN QUOTES BISMARCK.

"Now, my friends, I have quoted you that he said that there was depression in agriculture in Germany. I want to read you what Prince Bismarck says about the condition of affairs in Germany. Our opponents are in the habit of telling us that all the civilized nations are in favor of the gold standard. The Germans who live in this country point with pride to the greatness of this illustrious German, Prince Bismarck. Let me read you what he said within a few weeks in regard to bimetalism, and then see whether he testifies that the gold standard has been a good thing for Germany. [Great applause.] In a letter written to Gov. Culbertson, of Texas, and dated August 24, 1896, Prince Bismarck says: 'Your esteemed favor of July 1 has been received. I have always had a predilection for bimetalism, but I would not, while in office, claim my views of the matter to be infallibly true when advanced against the views of experts. I hold to this very hour that it would be advisable to bring about between the nations chiefly engaged in the world's commerce a mutual agreement in favor of the establishment of bimetalism.' If the gold standard has been a blessing to Germany, why would not he say that it was better to keep the gold standard, instead of getting rid of it and substituting the double standard by international agreement? 'Considered from a commercial and industrial standpoint, the United States is freer by far in its movements than any nation in Europe, and hence, if the people of the United States should find it compatible with their interest to take independent action in the direction of bimetalism, I cannot but believe that such action would exert a most salutary influence upon the consummation of international agreement and the coming into this league of every European nation.'

We have those among our people who have said that some other nation must take the lead. Prince Bismarck says that the people of the United States are freer by far in their movements than the nations of Europe. Can it be that this great German statesman has a higher conception of the abilities of the people of the United States than the Tories who are not willing to do anything until they ask the consent of other nations? (Great applause.)

Not only does Prince Bismarck say that we are freer to take action than other nations, but he says if we act, it will exert a most salutary influence upon the consummation of international agreement and the coming into this league of every European nation. Prince Bismarck testifies that the gold standard is the policy in Ger-

many, and he wants bimetalism restored. He testifies, second, that the United States is in the best position to take the lead. He testified, third, that if this nation takes the lead, it will have a salutary influence, not in preventing bimetalism, but in bringing other nations of Europe into an international agreement. I desire that you shall remember this testimony, coming from so distinguished an authority in Germany. Our opponents tell us that we are arraying one class against another. Let me show you what Prince Bismarck said: A little more than a year ago, he was quoted as saying to a farmer audience in Germany that the farmers must stand together and protect themselves from the drones of society, who produce nothing but laws. Remember the significance of those words—that the farmers should stand together and protect themselves from the drones of society, who produce nothing but laws. [Great applause.]

"My friends, divide society into two classes; on the one side put the non-producers and on the other side put the producers of wealth and you will find that in this country the majority of the laws are made by the non-producers instead of the producers of wealth, and just as long as the non-producers make the laws, just so long it will be more profitable to be a non-producer of wealth. Bismarck tried to arouse the farmers of Germany to throw out these drones and take charge of legislation themselves. I suppose they will call Bismarck an agitator. I will venture the assertion that not many of the men who are in favor of a gold standard can tell you what 16 to 1 means. They do not understand even the terms used in the discussion of the money question. I would be willing to place the average farmer against the average banker and turn them loose to discuss monetary science and financial history, and the banker could not hold his own with the farmer. Why? Because the financier thinks he knows so much that it is not necessary to study, while the farmer realizes that he has got to study in order to know about the question. [Applause.] The financier has been getting along so well that he thinks it not necessary for him to worry, but the farmer has been suffering so much that he is trying to find out what is the matter with the farmer."

The Republican press has been crying that the Wilson bill would ruin our manufactories, one would think to read the papers and see the pictures that they were all closed; but the following from yesterday's Oregonian gives the whole business away: 'Our exports of manufactures are the largest ever known. They reached nearly \$28,000,000 during July, and for the calendar year Statistician Ford estimates that they will go to \$240,000,000. In 1895 they amounted to \$228,498,893, and in 1892, when our total exports touched the high water mark of \$1,015,732,011, manufactures aggregated only \$158,510,937.'

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