

In a recent paper on "The Man With the Hoe" Bryan said:

The accumulation of wealth by honest means is to be encouraged, but the line must be drawn between honest wealth—the reward of brain service or muscle service rendered—and predatory wealth, which defies the law or turns government itself into a machine for the plunder of the public.

The indolent cannot expect plenty under any just form of government, neither can the vicious expect happiness, but under bad laws those who work the hardest may have the most.

But the remedy:

How will you ever straighten up this shape,

Touch it again with immortality? Give justice to every creature—justice in the methods of government, justice in the distribution of the burdens of government, justice in the making of the laws, justice in the interpretation of the laws, justice in the execution of the laws—justice first and charity afterward.

Justice will not eliminate distress entirely, but it will greatly reduce the number of those who come within the description of the poet. There will still be some poor, some destitute, some desperate. Generations of vice will transmit tendencies toward vice, which must be reformed. Some will be victims of unavoidable misfortune—they will need the aid of the more fortunate. The orphan will need a foster parent, the widow will need a friend, the aged without relatives will need a benefactor. The weak must be encouraged by the strong; those who fall must be lifted up.

Love is the antithesis of greed, and will inspire both justice and mercy. Love and love alone can regulate the relations between man and man, and plant hope in the breast of every child born into the world.

When every man-made wrong is remedied there will still be suffering enough to enable every person to prove his love toward God by manifesting his compassion toward his fellows.

In monarchies revolution is the only weapon of the oppressed; under our form of government wrongs are righted by the ballot; but even here the longer a necessary reform is delayed the more disturbance its accomplishment causes.

Victor Hugo has described the mob as "human race in misery." We cannot afford to make people miserable. Life is secure and property rights are respected in proportion as the people find life worth living. Happy will be the lot of all when each member of society makes to society a just and adequate return for that which he receives from society. Happy will be the lot of all when each member of society recognizes the indissoluble tie that binds together the highest and the lowest, the strongest and the weakest, the richest and the poorest—when each member of society aids according to his ability to give back to the poet's subject.

The upward looking and the light; Rebuild in it the music and the dream; Make right the immortal infamies; Perfidious wrongs, immedicable woes.

The United States is buying cedar for all purpose in the Philippines, because the suns over there eat up all other woods. When we had our forests the Government would not buy from us, and now that our wood has been turned into pencils it is making the Pacific Coast rich. It was ever thus; ten years ago, if Florida had advocated the seizure of the Philippines for the purpose of extending our markets, we should have been laughed at; now we are wondering that we did not see the point before.—Times.

Mr. Russell Sage says he believes in lucky suits of clothes. If this supposition is general, we can understand why some garments are refused a rest when their good looks go off; but in this particular case it is possible that impertinent necessity has bred the faith. Mr. Sage professes. If he really needs help Jack conville might subscribe something, if the campaign be judiciously conducted.—Times.

It is interesting to read in a comments of republican papers in which it is declared that Bryan's remarks are with a thought, that there is nothing to them but words. With these narrow minded papers there is nothing to anything in it that they disagree with. That is if they think not, then there is no thought to it.

One man in a speech said recently that so far as brains go all men are pretty nearly equal. That what the world wants is more honest men, men upright and reliable who can be depended upon. Our offices should be filled by honest men who will do their duty. That is the makeup of our best for county offices.

As usual the Rhode Island Democrats are behind the times. They are reaffirming the declaration of Independence. They couldn't have read Mr. Lodge's masterly demonstration that the declaration was a little confidence game put up by Thompson Jefferson and a few kindred spirits upon a worshipful posterity.—Springfield Republican.

The ticket nominated this week by the democrats and people party is composed of reliable, substantial men, from the judge who as a member of the last legislature made the record of any member in opposing grafts and sustaining measures in the interest of the people, to the coroner, who during the past two years has filled the office efficiently. The republicans have already begun saying it is a weak ticket. They did the same two years ago leader if possible, but now have to admit that we elected some of the most efficient officers who have served the county for good government in the entire state. The men nominated this week will serve the people just as faithfully. In every instance they are competent to fill the positions named even though they haven't been filling offices all their lives, and under their management the present splendid county government will be continued. This is a fact. Investigate. Don't be fooled by the old chestnut of calling everything weak not republican. The present best county government in the state is under the same kind of weak men before they were elected.

Most of the delegates elected to the republican congressional convention in the counties of Linn, Marion, Benton and Clackamas were elected in opposition to Tongue delegates after a warm

strife, hence it is reasonable by some that they will oppose Tongue from beginning to end in the convention. From this it is reasoned that he may be defeated. But the truth is the indications are that he will get enough delegates to start with to insure his nomination after the first ballot. It should be the policy of a paper to desire the weakest nomination possible on the the opposite side, but the DEMOCRAT admits that it likes to see good men put in nomination on all tickets so that however the election goes it will insure good government in the field at stake. And it is for this reason it would like to see Tongue defeated in the convention. This may not be good politics but it is a fact nevertheless, Men of Mr. Tongue's calibre should be dropped just as soon as possible without running any risk of their election.

The manner in which the big railroad are being permitted to exchange worthless land off several thousand miles for some of the finest timber land in the world in this state is a disgrace to the government of the United States which permits it, but it is for a fact a sample of the style of doing business of the present administration, which gives the corporations and trusts all the advantages possible. The time may come when the whole United States will be looking to this northwest country for its timber. It looks now as if about that time the railroad companies and the big eastern syndicates who are clashing with them in the mad strife for timber land, will have a monopoly of it, as the big guns are having a monopoly of nearly every thing and Oregon will be in the clutches about that time of an enormous lumber trust. The situation is one that calls for a halt. But there will be no halts in these matters until there is a change of administration.

Oil Figures.

The New York Journal furnishes the following figures showing the great profits earned by the Standard Oil trust showing how the dividends have jumped in size from 1890:

Table with 2 columns: Year and Dividend amount. 1891: \$12,000,000; 1892: 12,000,000; 1893: 12,000,000; 1894: 12,000,000; 1895: 12,000,000; 1896: 31,000,000; 1897: 35,000,000; 1898: 30,000,000; 1899: 33,000,000; 1900 (estimated): 80,000,000.

Incorporated at \$10,000,000 originally, the capital stock was increased in 1892 to \$110,000,000, of which \$100,000,000 is common stock and 10,000,000 is non-cumulative 6 per cent preferred stock. All of the latter issue is still in the treasury of the company.

Six years ago Standard Oil common stock sold in the market for \$167 a share. A few days before the transfer books closed for the dividend on February 15 last, \$547 a share was paid for it, showing an increase in the market value within six years of \$380,000,000.

Of the 3,000, stockholders less than a dozen insiders own 80 per cent of the stock and control absolutely the workings of the company.

If the Standard Oil's profits of \$80,000,000 in a year were a normal return of 5 per cent actually invested capital, it would represent \$1,600,000,000 or nearly one-seventh of all the money, gold, silver and paper that is in circulation in the world.

Bryan's Sayings.

Among the terse things said by Mr. Bryan in a recent address were these:

No king on earth would have the unlimited power of the President, if the people approve the Porto Rican tariff bill.

The republican party is borrowing from England all that is bad, but will not take the income tax which is good.

If the people do not get the trust question in their heads, they will get it in their necks.

The plea of destiny is the plea of cowardice.

No nation is strong enough to do wrong. Admiral Dewey should be made to correspond with Lafayette and not Lord Clarendon.

Conquest does not mean destiny but covetousness and temptation.

God does not inspire one man to conquer another, and inspire the other to die for independence.

It is not the producer, but the non-producer of wealth, that makes the laws.

So long as the farmer lets the monopolist make the laws, they will not meet summer resorts.

Monopolists opposed the democracy because it was the party of the commonwealth.

If the republican party destroys trust it will destroy the goose that lays the golden egg.

No larger standing army is needed. The country is safe in the hands of the volunteers.

Government should be made so that every citizen will be ready to die to preserve it.

All Sorts.

A Dublin man has left Ireland for Vienna to buy 1,000 horses for the British government.

The corporation of Scarborough, England, has decided to name a new thoroughfare "Ladysmith avenue."

One of the benefits accruing to Canada from the war is the increased probability of an all-British cable.

A huge wine barrel, weighing seventy tons, has just been built at Nancy for the Paris exposition. Its cost was \$30,000.

Among the Filipinos.

C. C. Bilyeu, a son of J. A. Bilyeu, of Seio, in writing home from Naic, in the Philippines, says:

We have just returned from a 300 mile march, have been marching about two months. I wish you could have seen us coming in—some of the boys were without shoes, some without hats—Oh, we were a sight. Just think of marching 300 miles and packing from 30 to 40 pounds on your back and fighting, cutting roads, and making rafts, wading rivers and sometimes swimming—our man was drowned and some were shot.

Some times we would march all day and come back where we started from. The Filipinos ambushed us twice, and fired on us but we drove them off. We have been on the firing line ever since we landed on this island.

I got a chance to shoot a Filipino, he was only about 40 yards from me, but the captain wouldn't let me shoot. Oh, I could have killed him with the greatest of ease. If the captain had not interfered. It made me feel funny when the black devils commenced shooting at us but I didn't mind it much after a little while. One fellow was shot down right close to me.

Well, I only wish this march was over for I think we will be going home pretty soon after it is over. It is getting hotter and hotter all the time. If you were over here you would appreciate the Oregon rain.

SATURDAY NIGHT THOUGHTS

The most interesting feature of the week has been a few small victories in the South African war in favor of the Boers. The English had been running things so much to themselves that these little victories surprised them and opened their eyes to the fact that the war wasn't yet ended. There is to be more fighting and the present aggressive style of the Boers indicates that it will be of a very lively character. While it is a fact that the general sympathy of the American people is on the side of the Boers it is also a fact that there are at least five hundred Americans actually in the contest on the side of the Boers, one prominent officer doing business under an assumed name winning a striking victory.

In the United States the passing of the Porto Rican bill in the Senate has been a leading event that has been watched with great interest by the people and politicians alike. The levying of a tariff on members of our own country is a new thing that has opened the eyes of the people and caused indignation among many, particularly among the newspaper men regardless of politics, who really above everything believe in justice, as narrow as some of them sometimes get. We had better keep under the constitution and never go back on the Declaration of Independence. It is worth standing by them.

The stereotyped other nish showed a class of ignorant natives of Alaska as they were taken by a missionary, and the same class just a year afterwards as they had developed through the power of education and Christian example. The transformation was wonderful. Education can take a savage and put into his face a look of intelligence that makes a new being out of him. Add to this a Christian character and you have a being before whom the Godless millionaire who has spent his life accumulating wealth should take off his hat.

In politics, this week has had a bomb thrown into it by the announcement that Admiral Dewey is a candidate for president. Investigation has resulted in the proof of the statement. The admiral came to the conclusion that being the greatest admiral in the world was not nearly so big a thing as being the president of the greatest nation of the world, this hee which had been buzzing in his hat for several months finally tore through and the crash came. There was a time when the announcement would have been received with cheers, but as it comes now it seems to be more a matter for amusement and jokes. And this is the same admiral who continues to have a warm place in the hearts of the people, the hero of the Philippine war. Really as much as anything else it is Mrs. Dewey who has caused the change.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The Republicans in the house agree on the passage of the senate tariff amendments.

LOURENCO MARQUES, April 6.—The Boers repulsed two sorties at Mafeking. Large bodies of burgher cavalry have returned to Bloemfontain.

NEW YORK, April 6.—The Herald says Dewey's candidacy is a scheme of eastern democrats, in hands of Gorman.

SHANGHAI, April 5.—Russian Japanese war departments continue warlike preparations. Japanese calls out naval reserves.

FRANKFORT, April 6.—The Supreme court has decided the election case in favor of the democrats, six to one, the two republicans concurring.

LONDON, April 6.—Gen. Roberts reports the Boers captured three companies of Irish auxiliaries and two companies mounted infantry Wednesday near Bethany.

The Epworthians.

The annual district convention of the Epworth League of this district was opened in the M. E. church last evening. The president J. W. Menzies, of Lebanon, was in the chair. After a preliminary song service Miss Clara Gard delivered an excellent address of welcome on the part of the local league, among other things the fact being presented that there are now over 1,800,000 members of the league, showing a wonderful growth. N. M. Newport spoke on behalf of the church. Mr. Menzies, the president, responded, after which the audience adjourned to the parsonage where a social was given and the visitors made at home.

This forenoon was devoted to the reports of officers and chapters showing a general improvement and growth. The afternoon session after preliminary devotional exercises was given up to special papers by Ernest Rhodes; "Loose Spokes in the Epworth League," by Missie Forester on "Linger a Little in Literary Lines," and by Miss Grousebeck on "What the League must do to justify its Continuance."

The program tonight will be entirely under the charge of the Indians, of Siletz and will be one no one should miss. Tomorrow there will be four services, a sunrise prayer meeting at 6 o'clock, a sermon by Dr. Ford at 10:30, the Lord's supper at 3 p. m. and addresses in the evening by Revs. Lee and McDaniel.

Miss Long makes up-to-date pictures in the highest style of the art of photography.

MISFITS.

The city of Portland has nine-year law suits on its hands, of all characters from a demand for the damages resulting from the bursting of a water main up to down. The city generally wins.

An exchange credits an article to the Portland Oregonian, formerly Republican.

Now it is said that Mrs. Dewey is the real candidate for president of the United States.

The Salem Journal says the republican party has been in a row ever since J. H. Mitchell has been in politics, which began in 1868.

The Dewey scheme won't work. Dewey's day politically was when he landed in New York on his return from the Philippines. His politics though have been ascertained and that is a pleasing thing. He is a democrat.

The manner in which names can be twisted around is displayed in the way the Eugene Register gives the democratic nominee for sheriff. They have it Geo. M. Chabreau.

Mr. Bryan was of considerable importance in Portland after all regardless of his so-called wordy address. The Oregonian devoted eight editorials to him and the Telegram in the evening of the same day five. Total thirteen.

There should be nearly two thousand more names registered before election. Don't wait but register now.

It was thought to be somewhat of an innovation to see a nominee of the democratic party with a white ribbon boldly pinned on his coat, but that was what was observed last night at the court house and commented upon. Mr. Riggs is as efficient in all he does as he is temperate.

Roseburg Plaindealer: Bob Hendricks, ex-member of the state central committee, and who will soon be ex-chairman of the congressional committee, announces that he will support a part of the Republican county ticket in Marion county. That's the kind of a Republican Bob Hendricks is.

Now that Admiral Dewey turns out to be a full-fledged democrat the chances are that the republican press will prove within a year or two that he never whipped the Spaniards on the first of May, 1898 in Manila Bay. The anniversary is almost here. Will it be celebrated?

Old Bill Anderson, Salem's famous saloon keeper, having announced himself as a candidate for sheriff offers his drug store for sale or trade for a hop-yard or prune orchard or any other business that does not require much labor. Old Bill is considerable of a humorist.

One Salem paper accuses another of having received as much for campaign nap as it has ever made legitimately. Of course an exaggeration, but showing the spirit of the age. In Linn county the newspaper is lucky if it has a candidate as a straight subscriber. One paper though is charging \$5 for campaign cards and already has two in its columns.

The Bryan crowd at Eugene, which some of the republican papers, as they have been doing right along evidently by previous order from the bosses, reported not very large, was estimated by fair judges to have been between eight and ten thousand people, an immense crowd to hear any speaker. The truth is Bryan received an ovation all through the Northwest, a fact that cannot be downed by falsehoods.

From the Pendleton, E. O.: The Portland Telegram, which is supposed to be a newspaper, in a recent news report of a political meeting in the Willamette valley, said of the speaker:

"They came to hear a statesman and they found only a talking machine, a sort of graphophone with only one sheet to play from. He had poor success in holding his crowd, which kept leaving him all the time." No wonder the reading public hold in contempt this so-called newspaper, when it forces upon its readers the personal opinions of its peanut correspondents in the space that should be filled with news.

The Rev. Mr. Arthur Dresay, of Oswego, said in his sermon last Sabbath: "The world's need is Christian manliness. Knowing this, I shall no longer ride on railroads for half fare; what is good enough for you is good enough for me. Please do not discount goods to me because I am a preacher. I ought to pay my taxes, and my church should not be exempt. Christ did not borrow, beg, beseech his bread; he bought it like other men. If I am his follower, I will pay my way as he did. Dear friends, for four long years your hearty support and the prompt kindness of your treasurer have enabled me to do business on a cash basis. I fear none; but stand in the power of my manhood alone."—Kansas City Journal.

Garace was dispatched to their relief. Methuen surrounded General Villebois men today and killed Villebois and seven men, taking fifty prisoners. The British losses are light including two Yeoman captains killed.

Cecil Rhodes arrived in London this morning and was coolly received. The public showed not the slightest interest in him.

A large and fine stock of cigars and tobacco at Conn & Huston's. See the display.

It Won't Work.

New York, April 4.—A Washington dispatch to the Evening Telegram says: It has developed that a nomination of Admiral Dewey as candidate for a part of a well-laid plan of Eastern democrats to head off Bryan's nomination. The Admiral will not admit there is any organization behind his candidacy, or state whether he would like the republican or democratic nomination.

A Big Fire.

KANSAS CITY, April 4.—Convention Hall, Kansas City's pride, wherein the Democratic National Convention was to have been held July 42 was laid in ruins in less than 30 minutes this afternoon from fire that started from an unknown source at 1 o'clock. The fire burned with such fury that it was evident almost from the start that the structure was doomed.

Audacious Boers.

LONDON, April 5, 5 A. M.—It looks today as though the Boers had conceived the audacious plan of attempting to invest Lord Roberts at Bloemfontein or at least to endeavor to delay his northward advance by harassing the British lines of communication. On his side, Lord Roberts is concentrating his forces, and preparing to take every advantage of the bold but risky tactics of the enemy. He is not likely to strike at any of their forces until he is certain of delivering a crushing blow.

Relief for Mafeking.

LONDON, April 5.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Mafeking, dated March 20, by runner to Gaborone, says: Last night we received the welcome news of the dispatch of a column by way of Vrburg to relieve us. The messenger reported that he had encountered no Boers on the road. Other runners from the north tell of the rapid approach of Colonel Plumer's column. The Boers continue the bombardment.

The Dewey Candidacy.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Admiral Dewey's announcement of this candidacy for the Presidency has caused more surprise at the capital than anything that has happened in many a day. The surprise is also coupled with. No one regards this Dewey candidacy seriously.

After the Prince.

BUSBY, April 4.—The Prince of Wales was shot at while leaving the rail road station here. He was not hurt. The attempt occurred at 3:55 P. M. The would-be assassin jumped upon the foot-board of the Prince's saloon-car as the train was starting and fired into the car, aiming at the Prince. The man was immediately arrested.

Around Mafeking.

LONDON, April 5.—A special dispatch from Lourenco Marques says sharp fighting occurred April 2, in the neighborhood of Mafeking. The garrison made a sortie, while Colonel Plumer's cavalry attacked the Boers at Ramatlabama. Boers attacks were repulsed. Twenty of Colonel Plumer's men were found dead on the field, and six others were made prisoners. The federal losses were small.

The War.

LONDON, April 6.—The War office issued no news yesterday and little was allowed to come through from the correspondents at Bloemfontein. According to the Standard's representatives there is no sign that the Boers intend taking the offensive. General Clements is so disposing his forces as to guard against any surprise attack.

Hawaiian Bill.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The House did not finish the bill to provide territorial government for Hawaii today. When the hour fixed for taking a vote, 4 o'clock arrived, less than half the bill has been covered and so many amendments remained that it was agreed to continue the consideration of the bill under the five-minute rule it was finished.

Endorse McKinley.

ELLSBURG, April 5.—The State Republican Convention today elected eight delegates of the National Republican Convention at Philadelphia and instructed them to vote for the renomination of President McKinley. The only issue before the convention was the fight for party supremacy between the Wilson and anti-Wilson forces and the result was an overwhelming defeat for the former.

A Woman for Congress.

BOISE, April 5.—The State Prohibition convention held here today nominated a full state ticket and chose delegates to the National convention. The ticket is headed by Rev. W. J. Boone of Caldwell for Governor and Miss Amanda Way, of Boise for Representative in Congress.

Hawaiian Bill.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The House after four days of debate, today passed the substitute for the Senate bill providing for a territorial form of government for Hawaii. The bill now goes to conference.

Rooms for Dewey.

KANSAS CITY, April 6.—John R. McLean, brother-in-law of Admiral Dewey, has engaged elaborate quarters at one of the leading hotels for the Democratic convention in July. The rooms are very choice and it is reported that they are to be shared by Admiral Dewey.

SEND US ONE DOLLAR

Advertisement for a sewing machine. Text includes: 'Get this ad. and send us one dollar... GUARANTEED 25 YEARS... SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (Inc.)' Includes an image of a sewing machine.

Advertisement for a dress. Text includes: '2.75... SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO., CHICAGO' Includes an image of a woman in a dress.