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officials, involved the expenditure of millions of money, continued sectional animosities and were as ill conceived, unnecessary and impotent for the prevention of frauds as the obstruction of all the pure elections as they were reactions and offensive in their enforcement.

I point you to the fact that the Democratic party, although intruded for four years with the obstruction of all the official patronage incident to the execution of these powerful laws, yet with patriotic self sacrifice, deliberately setting aside all the power, influence and patronage involved therein, subordinating temporary selfish interests to the public good, wiped these odious laws from the statute books within the first year of our administration, and at the ensuing congressional elections the spectacle will be witnessed for the first time in 23 years of state elections, conducted as they are right ought to be, without federal interference, dictation or intimidation, without federal supervisors, marshals of the polls, and without officers selected or chosen by the people themselves according to state laws and usages, an exemplification of the principle of home rule in state and a vindication of the doctrine of the sovereignty of the states as it was recognized by our fathers from the foundation of our government.

We rejoice that with Democratic national ascendancy, the country consistently returns to the old methods, the sound principles and the correct administration of public office which characterized the earlier and better days of the republic. The enactment of the McKinley tariff law was the culminating atrocity of Republican recklessness in legislation, a measure so extreme, so selfish, so unreasonable, that it hazard nothing in asserting that conservative and fair-minded Republicans everywhere regretted the party exigencies which seemed to command its passage. It was the very personification of protectionism run mad. Throwing off all disguises, it was the inauguration of a huge scheme of governmental partnership with private business interests. Public considerations were lost sight of or subordinated to the promotion of individual aggrandizement. It was a fit exemplification of the vicious theories which underlie the modern doctrine of protection "for protection's sake alone," as expounded by our opponents, and well illustrated the dangerous tendencies of governmental paternalism.

The reaction which soon followed in the elections of 1890 and was reiterated in 1892 was the natural and legitimate expression of the popular indignation at the party which had basely surrendered to the mercenary within its own ranks and had bartered away the public good for selfish gain. The right of the people to be intruded with power, this vicious, un-American and objectionable law should be repealed, and we rejoice today in the fulfillment of that pledge. The McKinley law has gone where the people have directed it to go, never to be re-enacted again by any political party. It is true that there was a vexatious and unfortunate failure of the McKinley law in its administration, but that is not the fault of the law, which tolerated unlimited debate-rules which we did not frame, but which we inherited, and which, by reason of our slender majority, we were unable to change, but which, I trust, in the near future will be abrogated—but the record should be remembered that the record shows that we occupied less time by some months in repealing the law than our opponents took in enacting it in 1890.

The depression or disturbance in business which necessarily accompanies any general tariff revision has occurred in the country, but I call the attention of the country to the fact, not generally understood, that no matter which political party had won in 1893, there would have been a tariff revision, necessarily and inevitably so—because the McKinley law had broken down, had collapsed and had proved utterly inadequate to meet the necessities of the government and to furnish its required revenues.

The McKinley tariff duties had been placed so high as to be largely prohibitory in their effect, and the necessary revenues were not forthcoming, and upon the advent of the present national administration to power we were confronted with a virtually bankrupt treasury, and the deficit was daily increasing. During the last year of President Harrison's administration the treasury was constantly embarrassed, as every financier well knows. To use a phrase of the street, it was shipping along from day to day because of the unestimated revenue, emphasizing the fact that the law was not only vicious and selfish in its designs and results, but was, more over, a miserable exhibition of incompetent statesmanship.

When a Democratic administration, after four years rule, retired in March, 1889, it left to its Republican successors an ample surplus and a reasonably prosperous country, but when that Democratic administration returned to power again in 1893 it found that the ship of state had not been stranded or scuttled through Republican misrule, its treasury bankrupt, its revenues dissipated, its credit injured, its flag dishonored, its good name sullied and drifting rapidly toward the rocks of an impending panic.

Never did a political party assume the responsibilities of government under greater embarrassments than did the Democratic party in March, 1893. Under such unfavorable and adverse circumstances, with a slender majority in the senate, with an unwieldy majority in the house, with timidity to contend with on one hand and radicalism on the other, with a country impatient for prompt action, with somewhat divided councils among ourselves, it is not to be wondered at that the measure of revision which finally passed by the Democratic majority and which is now submitted to the judgment of the country does not in all respects meet the public expectations.

Without retracting a word which I uttered in the senate in criticism of the measure while engaged in the effort to perfect it and under it more acceptable, now that it has been passed and permitted by the president to become a law it must be considered as a whole—treated largely as a party measure and contrasted with the McKinley law whose place it assumes on the statute books. Influenced by any personal disappointments or any pride of opinion, I may be permitted to speak of the measure as it is—nothing extenuate nor set down ought in malice. Of its strict tariff measure it may truthfully be said: It is a part of the

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legislature, we placed upon the statute books, in obedience to our pledges, a just and reasonable excise law, which our opponents are now proposing to disturb in case they are again returned to power. We destroyed, root and branch, the further official intervention of the Pinkertonism in labor difficulties and disputes. We enacted a uniform ballot law, under which no citizen can be disfranchised and whereby election frauds can be more easily detected and punished. We promptly caused an enumeration of the inhabitants to be taken, a constitutional duty long neglected by our opponents for partisan reasons, which was followed by an apportionment so fair and just as to be absolutely beyond criticism, an apportionment which quickly responds to public sentiment, an apportionment which properly gave us the assembly in 1892, when we carried the state by 40,000 majority, and which gave our adversaries only 12,000 votes and assembly when they involuntarily carried the state last fall by only 24,000 majority, a result which vindicated and compelled the absolute fairness and justice of our Democratic statute.

The people have not forgotten that under the Republican apportionment which existed in 1891, and which had existed for years, and which they arbitrarily refused to change, although we carried the state by 50,000 majority, yet the senate was close, and our opponents by fraud and inequalities sought to deprive us of that control, to control with the constitution as the dominant party of the state. We demand an apportionment which shall quickly and faithfully respond to public sentiment, whether it is for or against us, which shall fully recognize the equality of every citizen, so that no citizen shall labor in his humble home or a tenement house in a great city shall count as much as the occupant of a palace or the owners of thousands of acres in the country.

The Republican constitutional convention now in session, whose work is largely a miserable failure and was only "damned with faint praise" in the Republican platform of last week, has invented a scheme to deprive the great Democratic cities of the state of their just share of representation—a scheme which actually provides that an increase of population in any cities shall not furnish a basis for increased representation in the legislature. Never was there a greater political outrage deliberately contemplated, and conspired to enable a desperate party to retain power against the will of the people.

This partisan and nefarious attack upon the political rights of our party should arouse every Democrat worthy of the name and lead him to do his utmost to secure the defeat of the whole work of that infamous convention, some of the members of which are under criminal prosecution for alleged bribery receiving or giving votes for the apportionment article. It is a fitting commentary upon the men and work of that convention that a scheme conceived in iniquity to deprive a political party of its just rights should be based and supported upon bribery and corruption.

The Democratic party in this state stands as it has ever stood, for that rock of liberty which is guaranteed to all by our constitution, and I arraign the Republican party for its covert sympathy with and encouragement of that proscriptionist spirit which attempts to set up a rigorous test as a qualification for official preference in this land of freedom, and which is propagated by a certain secret political organization which desires the creation at the hands of every fair minded man, but which the Republican state convention last week distinctly refused, though earnestly urged, to condemn.

Our duty is plain, and I believe we shall perform it, and if perchance adherence to the right brings disaster we shall bravely accept our fate and take our place in private station by the side of our proscribed fellow citizens until reason, justice and true religious freedom shall again resume their way, as surely they will. The administration of Howell P. Flower has been honest, bold and earnest in the half of the best interests of the state. He retires from the high official position which he honored with the confidence and respect of his party, the esteem and good will of all classes and with the consciousness of duty well and faithfully performed. The record of his public service adds lustre to the Empire State, and I take pleasure in adding my testimony to the fact that he has made one of the best governors we ever had. His able associate, Lieutenant Governor William F. Sheehan, has endeavored himself to the Democratic party, whose cause he has always zealously espoused. Young, vigorous and brilliant, other and higher honors await him in the future at the hands of a devoted constituency.

Fellow Democrats: let us not underestimate the dangers which confront us. We shall encounter the cohort of corruption in this campaign, led by audacious and unscrupulous leaders, who are fighting not only for the control of New York, but for the control of the country. We are on the skirmish line of the great national battle of 1896, and the loss of New York may lose our party the presidency.

The whole country is breathlessly and hopefully watching our contest, and we must do our full duty. Sinking every prejudice, subordinating every selfish consideration, actuated only by high and patriotic motives, realizing how much is at stake to be won or lost, mindful of the grand traditions which belong to the party of Jefferson, Jackson and Tilden, knowing that a united Democracy in this state means an old fashioned Democratic triumph, let us buckle on our armor and march together, like the Macedonian phalanx of old, with locked shields and measured tread, to the contest that awaits us, with courage, with resolution, with confidence, believing that our cause is just and that God and the right surely will give us the victory.

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