

For President—  
WILLIAM M'KINLEY,  
of Ohio.

For Vice-President—  
THEODORE ROOSEVELT,  
of New York.

ONLY ONE REPUBLICAN SPEECH

An Eastern Bryanite paper the other day wrote contemptuously of "the one speech which Theodore Roosevelt is making every day in the west," and the New York Sun replies by saying its esteemed contemporary pays to Roosevelt a compliment due to the entire republican stump army.

There is only one republican speech this year, says the Sun. It varies according to the intellectual grasp or the rhetoric of the individual speaker, but in substance it is always the same, because never in any section of the union does it stir any part of the republican platform. If our contemporary wants to find varieties of campaign talk it will find them with the democrats, whose speakers in one portion of the country are trying to conceal the party issue that is made most of somewhere else.

In every republican speech will be found a plea for these three things: Loyalty to the flag. Preservation of the national credit. Inviolability of the courts. Taken together, the divided voices of the democracy are calling for: Treachery to the flag. Destruction of the national credit. Degradation of the courts. If there are voters who while they can't stir within themselves any political partisanship still have a prejudice for straightforwardness and frankness, they will vote the republican ticket.

FACTS FOR WOOL-GROWERS.

The sheep of the United States are worth twice as much money today as they were at the close of the year 1896. Then their value was \$67,000,000; now it is over \$122,000,000. What is the reason for this remarkable change?

In 1892, under the McKinley protective tariff, the imports of wool amounted to but 148,000,000 pounds and the home production was 294,000,000 pounds, while the average price for washed Ohio fleece was 29 cents per pound.

In the fiscal year 1897, the closing year of the Wilson tariff which admitted wool free of duty, imports were 350,000,000 pounds and the production only 259,000,000 pounds, while the average price in 1896 was 18 1/2 cents.

In 1899, under the Dingley tariff which thoroughly protected the wool growers of the United States, the imports fell to 76,000,000 pounds, the production increased to 272,000,000 pounds, and the price increased to 28 cents per pound.

It is not surprising, then, that the value of sheep on American farms fell from \$116,000,000 in January, 1892, to \$67,000,000 on January 1, 1897, and that it increased under the restoration of the protective tariff to \$122,000,000 on January 1, 1900.

"Moneyed men are back of Bryan, according to a Portlander recently returned from the East. In New York \$300,000,000 is in the banks on which only from 1 1/2 to 3 1/2 per cent can be secured. If Bryan is elected an unsettled condition of affairs will ensue for a while and interest will run up to 6, 8 or even 10 per cent. Under the circumstances, the Portlander argues, the moneyed people will back the democratic candidate." This is from the Telegram and there is probably some truth in it. At any rate it agrees with the statement a Wasco county farmer made to the editor of THE CHRONICLE no longer ago than this morning: "If I were certain Bryan

is going to be elected," he said, "I would sell my farm and loan the money out on gilt-edged mortgages. If Bryan is elected money is sure to be scarce and dear for the next four years and I would fully calculate on getting from 10 to 15 per cent interest for every dollar I had to loan. That would beat farming at democratic prizes for wheat, all hollow."

It is suggested that the vote of Carl Schurz for Bryan should be indorsed on the back as "good only provided a republican congress acts this fall so as to render Bryan powerless for mischief."

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