

THE TRUE CAUSE.

The Democratic press of the country are attempting by every possible sophistry to make the public believe that the distressful times now being suffered are the natural result of causes that have been at work for a quarter of a century, and are not the consequences of the tariff agitation.

There has always been a conflict between labor and capital, and this can be traced in almost every instance to local causes. Wage-earners desire to receive as high price as possible for their labor, and capitalists, actuated by the same selfish motives, wish to reduce the wages of their employes as low as possible.

The production of wool has largely increased in all parts of the world during the past ten or fifteen years, and the percentage of increase has been greater in this country than in any other.

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depreciated and the people were discouraged by four years of devastating, bloody and fratricidal war. From such disasters the United States, in a few years, so far recovered, as to take her position among the wealthiest and most prosperous nations of modern times, and the present gloom and depression will be quickly dispelled when the old regime is restored.

THE BETTER PLAN. Last evening there was a collision between the Coxytes and deputy U. S. marshals at North Yakima. It seems that the "industrialists" refused to give up the train of which they had possession when requested to do so by the deputies, and this impelled the conflict, resulting in two marshals being seriously injured and several "commonweals" receiving flesh wounds.

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DOLPH AND PENNOYER.

The Democrats are exhibiting some fear that the Populist vote in the Willamette counties will add to Republican success, and this is as it should be. In an editorial on this question the Corvallis Times says: "The Populists of Benton and Lincoln have placed good men on their ticket, but there is not a ghost of a show for either of them to be elected, and if they carry the fall vote of their party, it will probably result in the election of the Republican candidates, at least on the joint ticket."

Democracy who once worshipped at the shrine of Sylvester Pennoyer are now his most inveterate enemies. This is what the Roseburg Review says of him: Governor Pennoyer, who is now going over the state telling the constitution for the people to love them and hates the corporations, travels on a free railroad pass. He also, draws an official salary of over \$10 a day while he is out-stumping, more than double the amount allowed him by the constitution of the state.

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COXYE FOUND GUILTY. WASHINGTON, May 8.—Congressman Pence, of Colorado, in the police court today, made the closing argument in behalf of the commonwealth. He said no one who heard the evidence expected a conviction. "J. R. Coxye came to ask for the enactment of laws," said Pence, "which he believes, and thousands of others believe, will be of incalculable advantage to the employes. Coxye's plea might be foolish, but had he come to present it peaceably at the head of an orderly body of American citizens, and as had much right to petition congress as anybody else. The representatives of citizens spoke here as patriots, bylaws to corrupt charges were warmly welcome, but these were men who came barfooted, tramping through the snow, by a man who had the courage of his convictions, to be invited to the open doors of a jail built through the taxation of citizens."

PROTECTION TO OUR SEAL FISHERIES. Protection to our seal fisheries in Behring sea seems not to have been fully carried out by the late decision in the court of arbitration, and these interests may require further adjudication.

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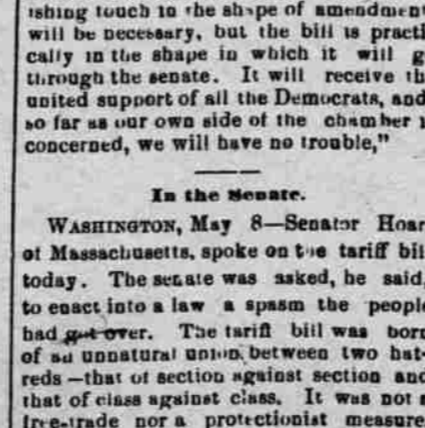
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A FRIEND. Speaks from the Boothby (Me.) Register, of the beneficial results he has received from a regular use of Ayer's Pills. He says: "I was feeling sick and tired and my head seemed all out of order. I tried a number of remedies, but none seemed to give me relief until I was induced to try the old reliable Ayer's Pills. I have taken only one box, but I feel like a new man. I think they are the most pleasant and safe of all medicines I ever used, being so finely sugar-coated that even a child will take them. I urge upon all who are in need of a laxative to try Ayer's Pills. They will do good."



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