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TRUE AND FALSE PROTECTION.

The free trade organs of the United States charge protectionists with paternalism. They clamor for the application of the maxim that "government shall do nothing for the people which the people can do for themselves." They point to England as proof that individual liberty is the best and the only means by which the greatest good can be secured for the greatest number.

Amherst Bayard astonished a British audience recently by a diatribe against his own country for tolerating protection in any form.

The most obnoxious form of protection, according to American free trade organs, is what Mr. Bayard and other call "state socialism." State socialism is diversion of public money to class purposes.

Great Britain is held up to us as a witness against state socialism and a monument of the benefits of free trade.

In fact, there is no other country in the world in which protection in the form of state socialism is carried to such excess.

Under British free trade subsidies are paid to ships to open up new roads to British commerce, the subsidy being scarcely disguised under the name of generous mail contracts.

Under British free trade protection has been liberally applied in the form of enforced reductions of rents by landlords to tenants; in farmers' "light railways"; in the compulsory remission of arrears, and in compulsory arbitration by which freedom of contract, a constitutional right of Great Britain, has been largely nullified in a great part of the United Kingdom.

Under British free trade the most obnoxious form of protection, state socialism, has been rampant. State money has been given outright in various forms and on diverse pretexts to many private or class interests.

State money has also been lent below market rates to various class interests, notably to agricultural landlords under one set of laws and to agricultural tenants under another.

Under British free trade protection in the form of state socialism has been gradually abolishing private corporate properties to be operated by the state.

Under British free trade class legislation has gone to the length of using public revenues to improve homes for portions of the people as well as to own local markets for classes of vendors, street railways for other classes who cannot afford private vehicles, electric light plants as well as telegraphs and telephone systems.

The latest protective proposal offered in Great Britain is the Tory Chamberlain's pensions for old age and Tully Balfour's scheme for lending men money to buy houses with.

Mr. Bayard might have found more acute state socialism under his eyes in Great Britain than the protective policy of the Republican party ever contemplated in the United States. Antipathy to the Republican masses of his American fellow countrymen blinded a vision never wide in any direction.

American protection, unlike British free trade, which is seeking with state and other socialism, is rational because it seeks to build up a nation, not classes. It is patriotic, therefore, not paternalistic, as British free trade is.

The American people discriminate between false and true protection, and will make this discrimination into law in a conservative way as soon as congress shall once more represent the intelligence and wisdom of the country.

From time to time suggestions have been brought forward for the creation of a department of commerce and manufactures, and criticism of the plan in its more general bearings meets with some difficulty, in view of the existence of the departments of agriculture and labor, the former of which was not long ago raised to cabinet rank. The latest proposition of this kind is found in a bill introduced by Senator Fry, of Maine, which provides for the transfer to the department of the treasury of the life-saving service, the light-house board, the marine hospital service, the bureau of steamboat inspection, the bureau of navigation, the coast and geodetic survey, and the bureau of statistics with the bureau of statistics of the state department, the two bureaus of statistics to be consolidated into one. The bill also provides for the transfer of the consular service from the jurisdiction of the state department to the proposed new department, and gives the department general jurisdiction over the foreign and internal commerce of the United States, except in so far as relates to the collection of the revenue and the administration of the customs and external revenue laws. Under the bill the new department is to have jurisdiction over all matters relating to the manufacturing interests of the United States, including the extension of foreign markets for the same, and the increase of commerce and trade.

facilities with foreign countries. The new secretary is also to perform all the duties now incumbent upon the secretary of the treasury in relation to the trade and commerce of the United States, whether upon land or water. It goes without saying that the bill will not lack supporters, but its early passage by the present congress is scarcely to be looked for.

The true interests of the United States imperatively forbid a selfish policy of earth being turned to the use of any international canal which, in the hands of England or any foreign power, might enable hostile fleets and armies to combine at will and threaten at pleasure all points on the Atlantic or Pacific coasts, and thus more than neutralize the advantages the United States at present enjoys of interior lines of communication.—N. Y. Herald.

The true interests of the commercial world imperatively demand that control of the great waterways of the world should be held for mankind, and that no country should have the hurtful predominance over them, to the injury of others, or the selfish use of them. For that reason, while no country in the world could have a better right to exclusive control of the Nicaragua canal than the United States, it would be still better if the canal, like all other waterways, and all telegraph and cable lines, should be internationally neutralized. That would be a rational and honest way of dealing with a difficult problem, and that should be the aim of every statesman. We believe it could be brought about, too, and the whole world would be the gainer and the cause of peace much advanced thereby.

The claims of the framers of the Wilson bill that they were going to open the markets of the world to American products do not seem to have been very well founded. Besides shutting off an immense market that had been created by the reciprocal treaties of Central and South America, the imports of foreign manufacturers continue to be as large as ever. One of their arguments was that American clothing would find a market in Europe. A recent report from Claude Meeker, United States consul at Bradford, England, discloses the fact that American goods of excellent workmanship and design have been rejected from that market because they could not compete with the very cheap goods made in England. A suit of clothes, whose New York price was \$15, had to compete with the same kind of suit in England sold at 5 cents.

The fact is becoming apparent that such disreputable political merchants as Platt, Quay and Clarkson are doing all in their power to stem the rising tide of McKinley sentiment, and that they hope to accomplish this end by gutting control of several state delegations through the agency of favorite sons.

The plan proposed in several states is to have their delegates vote for their favorite son first and then go to the popular choice, but the people are now demanding that this plan be reversed so that the delegates be required to vote first for the man the people want, and then, if he fails, to do their shuffling for favorite sons afterward.

The expulsion from Cuba of Elbert Rappleyer, the well known correspondent of the New York Mail and Express, is prima facie evidence that the Spanish government has much to conceal from the world at large of its operations in the island. Mr. Rappleyer is noted for his truthfulness and integrity, and was probably giving the facts as they are.

The last issue at hand of the Mail and Express contains a two-column dispatch from Mr. Rappleyer dated Havana, March 14, and contains some statements of the condition of affairs very different from the ordinary telegrams which are passed by the Spanish authorities. The Mail's correspondent has certainly achieved a reputation even if he has been sent home.

It would seem that it would be profitable for Astorians to cultivate the acquaintance of such people as Mr. Rappleyer, the French packer of fish who was here Wednesday, and who has the capital and business experience to operate a packing house here in a new field to Astoria of the fishing industry. We have so far paid attention only to the salmon, but the river is full of other fine fish which are of first-class packing quality.

There are eight hundred million one cent pieces in circulation in the country. Why, it almost seems as though the senate might acquire some cents. It hasn't much at present.

Palates agree the lightest biscuit are made with Price's Cream Baking Powder.

MENU FOR SATURDAY.

"Those I commonly eat with are people of nice conversation."—A Trip to Scarborough.

Breakfast.
 Poached Eggs, with Gravy.
 Veal Cutlets, Tomato Sauce.
 Potatoes and Ham Cakes.
 French Rolls.
 Coffee.

Luncheon.
 Oysters a la Newburg.
 Meat Rissoles.
 Mayonnaise of Tomatoes.
 Thin Rolled Bread.
 Cake, Cocoa.

Dinner.
 Oysters.
 Consomme Julienne.
 Olives, Thon.
 Fillets of Weakfish in cases.
 Pilaf of Chicken.
 Tomatoes a la Reine.
 Roast Beef, Potatoes a la Neige.
 French Beans.
 Combination Jelly.
 Coffee.

Boothling, healing, cleansing, Dr. Witt's Hazel Salve is the enemy to sores, wounds and piles, which it never fails to cure. Stops itching and burning. Cures chapped lips and cold sores in two or three hours. Chas. Rogers.

HARD LUCK STORY FROM THE FAR NORTH.
 Exchange.
 "Mamma," said the little Esquimaux boy, as Dr. Nansen and his party shouldered their packs again and trudged painfully on toward the frozen north, "what brings those poor white people all the way up here?"

"I presume, my child," replied the Esquimaux mother, pityingly, "they are hunting for gold and silver." "And there wasn't a dry eye in the Igloo."

ENGLISH CAPITAL FOR AMERICAN INVESTMENTS.

Important to Americans seeking English Capital for new enterprises. A list of names and addresses of 30 successful promoters who have placed over \$10,000,000 Sterling in Foreign Investments within the last six years, and over \$10,000,000 for the seven months of 1895. Price, 25 cts., payable by postal order to the London and Universal Bank of Liverpool, 25, Change Alley, London, E. C. Subscribers will be entitled, by arrangement with the directors, to receive either personal or letters of introduction to any of these successful promoters. This list is first class in every respect, and every man or firm whose name appears therein may be depended upon. For wanting the following it will be found invaluable: Bonds or Shares of Industrial, Commercial and Financial concerns, Mortgage Loans, Sale of Land, Patents or Mines.

A NEW BRIDGE IDEA.

Exchange.
 An iron roof built over a stone arch railway bridge to protect it from the rain is a novelty. Yet such a structure may be seen over a sandstone bridge of 1845, and 4 feet rise, on the Gorilla-Broadway railway, is stated by the Indiana and Eastern Engineer. The arch was built in 1845 of sandstone masonry, and an examination made by sinking two wells in the backing showed loose stone and quite soft mortar. As the sandstone is considerably reduced in strength by wetting, the alternative course was to rebuild the arch by drying it by a layer of concrete and for rebuilding in iron were rejected on account of cost, and a roof of galvanizing corrugated plate was finally built over it, at a cost of \$4,000.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

A Republican convention for Clatsop county is hereby called to meet at McKinley hall, in the city of Astoria, on Thursday, April 2nd, 1896.

At 10:30 a. m. for the purpose of electing seven delegates to attend the Republican state and congressional convention, to be held at the city of Portland, on April 9, 1896, and for the purpose of nominating the following county officers to be voted for at the election to be held on Monday, June 1, 1896: Sheriff, recorder, assessor, treasurer, surveyor, assessor, superintendent of schools, coroner, and one justice of the peace and constable for each precinct.

The committee hereby recommend that the primaries in the various precincts be held on Saturday, March 28, 1896. The following appointments have been made, being one delegate at large from each precinct and one delegate for every 15 votes or fraction thereof over 8 votes cast for Ellis for congress in 1894:

Astoria 1st ward, 25 Lewis and Clarke. 3
 Astoria 2d ward, 25 Mohawaka. 3
 Astoria 3d ward, 11 North Fork. 1
 Clifton Creek, 3 Seaside. 3
 Clifton Creek, 3 Vesper. 3
 Clifton Creek, 3 Westport. 3
 Clifton Creek, 3 Willapa. 3
 Jewell, 2 Young's River. 2
 Knappa, 2 John Day. 2
 All voters favor of the Republican principles and able to sustain the industries and labor, and the upbuilding of the home market and fishing industry of the Columbia river, are cordially invited to unite with us.

It is further recommended by the committee that no proxies be allowed except those held by residents of the precinct from which the proxies are issued.

The recommendations of the committee are that only the seven delegates be elected at the convention to be held April 2, 1896, and that the delegates be elected to represent both congressional and state conventions. That the convention be adjourned until after the state convention makes nominations, and the date of adjournment to be decided by the convention.

JOHN FOX, Chairman.
 W. F. McGRIGOR, Secretary.

REPUBLICAN PRIMARY.
 A primary election is hereby called for the city of Astoria to elect delegates from the three wards of said city to attend the county Republican convention to be held at said city of Astoria on Tuesday, April 2nd, 1896. Said primary election will be held at said city of Astoria, on Tuesday, April 2nd, 1896, and the polls will be opened at 1 o'clock p. m. and continue open until 6 o'clock p. m. The first ward is entitled to elect 25 delegates, the second ward 15 delegates, and the third ward 11 delegates.

In the first ward the polling place will be at No. 100 East Main street, and the judges are B. S. Worsley, G. C. Fulton and Fred Blinn.

Second ward polling place will be at Welch's office, and the judges will be L. Robb, and H. G. Smith.

Third ward polling place will be at the old school house, Judges—John E. Berg, O. F. Morton and Harry Young.

The committee recommend that a mass meeting of the Republican voters of the city be held at Caruthers' Hall, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., on Friday, March 27th, 1896, for the purpose of selecting delegates to be voted for at said primary election.

JOHN FOX, Chairman.
 W. F. McGRIGOR, Secretary.

LEISURELY.
 Washington Star.
 "Did you go into society in Philadelphia?"

"Yes."
 "And how do they kill time there?"

"They don't kill it. They sit all down and wait for it to die a natural death."

Or, Price's Cream Baking Powder Contains no Ammonia or Alum.

TOO PROSPEROUS.
 Chicago Post.
 "Poor Bill," said the tramp, sorrowfully.

"What's the matter?" asked his tattered companion.

"Gone," said the tramp.
 "Gone?"
 "Worse, but he died happy and prosperous."

"Prosperous?"
 "Yap. That's why he died. He couldn't stand prosperity. He was accidentally locked into a saloon over night."

A high liver with a corpal liver will not be a long liver. Correct the liver with Dr. Witt's Little Early Risers. Little pills that cure dyspepsia and constipation. Chas. Rogers.

Cashier—I don't think I can cash this draft, miss. I don't know you. Miss—Here, don't be silly; give me the money. Who cares if I don't know me? I don't know you, either.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

SHILOH'S CURE, the great Cough and Croup Cure, is in great demand. Pocket size contains twenty-five doses for 10 cts. Children love it. Sold by J. W. Conn.

The Sheriff—You say that fellow who broke jail, left a morning house and a keeper—Yes, sir; here it is on this paper. "Excuse the liberty I take!"—Truth.

Mrs. L. R. Patton, Rockford, Ill., writes: From personal experience I can recommend Dr. Witt's Sarsaparilla, a cure for impure blood and general debility. Chas. Rogers, Druggist.

Present—You won't catch anything in that brook; there are no fish there. Prospector—That's plenty of fish there. Why, then, is this notice put up here: "Fishing forbidden."—Fleegende Blaetter.

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A RAZOR Guaranteed to be best quality steel.
 If you send us 3 Coupons, or 2 Coupons and 60 cents.

OR,
 WE WILL SEND A 3-BLADE PENKNIFE
 also guaranteed to be best quality steel. For 50 Coupons, or 3 Coupons and 60 cents.

You will find one coupon inside each 2 ounce bag, and two coupons inside each 4 ounce bag of

BLACKWELL'S GENUINE DURHAM TOBACCO.

SEND COUPONS WITH NAME AND ADDRESS TO
 Blackwell's Durham Tobacco Co., Durham, N. C.

Buy a bag of this Celebrated Smoking Tobacco, and read the coupon, which gives a list of other premiums and how to get them.
 2 CENT STAMPS ACCEPTED.

THE ART OF PROPHECY.

"I think it will rain," the prophet says: "I think it will rain, you know: I think it will rain today, good folk, provided it doesn't snow."

And then he climbs to his den aloft to note how the breezes blow.

"I think it will snow," the prophet says: "I think it will snow tonight, good folk, provided it isn't fair."

And then he climbs to his den aloft to look at the rain gauge there.

"The weather'll be fair," the prophet says: "The weather'll be fair and warm."

The weather'll be fair today, good folk, provided it doesn't storm."

And then he climbs to his den aloft to see how the clouds banks form.

"I think it will storm," the prophet says: "I think it will storm tonight; the wind will blow a terrible gale, provided it isn't fair."

And that is the view I take, good folk—that point of my little song.

—Chicago Post.

OLD PEOPLE.
 Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whisky or other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alternative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs.

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COULDN'T FOOL HER MA.
 Texas Sifter.
 "Birdie," said Mrs. McGinnis to her fashionable daughter, "what were you sitting up reading last night? Was it a novel?"

"Yes, ma, it was a novel."
 "And who wrote it?"
 "Dumas, the elder."

"Now, don't tell me that. Who ever heard of an elder writing a novel that you'd sit up half the night to read? You may be a new woman, Birdie, but you can't fool your mother any."

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Lady—Oh, but I'll keep the boy in my lap.

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The woman who goes abroad for the first time takes along generally just about six times as much as she will need.

It is a fixed and immutable law that to have good, sound health one must have pure, rich and abundant blood. There is no shorter and surer route than by a course of Dr. Witt's Sarsaparilla. Chas. Rogers, Druggist.

"Ah, me!" inspired the poet, as he thought of his mistress's eyes, "what would be the condition of a country without women?" "Stag nation," softly responded the humorist.—Boston Courier.

"I think he is right," the critic says: "I've followed him all along; I think he is right tonight, good folk, provided it isn't wrong."

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