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The only significant thing about Mr. Bryan's carefully prepared speech of last night is the fact that it is almost entirely taken up with explanations and protestations as to the meaning of his platform and the purposes of his party. From the bold and aggressive position he assumed at Chicago, and which he maintained until Chairman Jones was called upon to interfere and shut up his mouth, Bryan has already been put upon the defensive; and this, too, before the campaign has been formally opened, and before one solitary Republican speech has been delivered purely in the interest of the national ticket. The real significance and importance of this fact can be readily understood by every experienced politician. If Mr. Bryan finds it necessary to spend so much time, and especially on such an occasion as the Madison Square meeting, in an attempt to relieve his campaign and the platform on which it stands from the sinister appearance which it spontaneously assumes to the mind of every intelligent and rational citizen, what will be do when the campaign opens, and the man who is so much his superior in mental equipment and public experience begins the earnest work of pointing out and explaining to the country the vicious tendencies of the school of politics to which Mr. Bryan belongs, and the revolutionary meaning of the Populist and Socialist declarations of the platform upon which he is obliged to stand? There is little room to doubt, since his speech of last night, that Mr. Bryan and his advisers fully realize the difficulties of the campaign which lies before him, and that to their minds at least the noise and delirium of their Populist allies is not to be mistaken for a victory already won.

A FORETASTE OF BRYAN.

Those people who think that even if the Bryan party should be successful it would be some time before the ill effects predicted could be realized are invited to consider what is already taking place. Within the past two weeks 7,000 men have been thrown out of employment in the iron mines of Michigan. In Massachusetts more than 17,000 operatives in the mills have been let out and throughout the New England state the addition to the army of idle labor has recently been greatly increased and the number is being steadily augmented. Everywhere, in fact, those interested in productive enterprises are as a matter of precaution curtailing operations, in order that they may be prepared for any exigency of the future. In financial circles there is manifestly a feeling of serious apprehension. The banks are curtailing discounts and calling in loans. Capitalists are putting their affairs into the best condition for safety. Many call now to 7 per cent yesterday probably for the purpose of checking bear speculation, and the question of issuing clearing house certificates as a means of averting the panic tendency is said to be under consideration. There has been a marked decline in all kinds of securities, demonstrating a growing distrust. It is not merely the stock market that is suffering from this state of things, but every interest. The farmer, the manufacturer, the merchant, and the laborer are all experiencing the hardships incident to this condition.

Can any rational man doubt that the cause of all this is the apprehension growing out of the free silver agitation? Even men who feel confident that the effort to overturn the financial system of the country and bring the United States to the silver standard will fail are not willing to take any great chances. They propose to make themselves secure in any event. The men of capital, the employers of labor, intend as far as possible to fortify themselves against the threatened danger and be prepared, in case of its realization, to escape with as little damage as possible. This they can do. But what of the men of labor? Thrown out of employment, with no means of protecting themselves from the menace of a debased currency, what sort of a prospect is before them? Probably before the day of election, as matters now look, a million of people now employed will be thrown out of work. They and those dependent upon them must suffer and how shall they be able to recoup themselves for this loss and privation? There is no way. The capitalist may regain what he now sacrifices, even should the country be reduced to a silver basis, but for the sacrifice imposed upon labor there can be no relief.

History is repeating itself. The agitation for a policy of currency debasement is having the same effect now as it has had in the past and it is falling most heavily upon those who "earn their bread by the sweat of their face."

The pity is that there should be any of this class who do not understand it and permit themselves to be deluded by the false promise that they will be benefited by a policy that will diminish by one-half the purchasing power of their wages. They ought to learn something from what is now taking place.

"We propose," said Mr. Bland, at Abilene, "to put the laboring people of the country to work, and not have them tramping for work." At Huntington he said "We intend to stop the selling of bonds and the borrowing of money in Europe." So far as the latter proposition is concerned, Mr. Bland might have changed the tense of his declaration and kept entirely within the bounds of truth, if he had said, "We have already stopped the sale of American securities and rendered it impossible to obtain capital in Europe for investment in this country."

Bland must have been drunk or crazy with the emotion of his part of Sancho Panza in the great Irish comedy of Don Quixote to have made such statements to the intelligent Republican workmen of Pennsylvania. Mr. Bland has lived long enough to observe the distinction between the class of men he addressed in the great industrial regions of Pennsylvania and the corn field facts he is used to talking in in Missouri. These men think and reason, and Mr. Bland ought to have known that they hold him and his juvenile leader as much responsible as any other two men in the United States for the ruin of their industries and the change in their condition from prosperous workmen in 1882 to the position of idle tramps in 1896. Mr. Bland thought they were cheering him, but it is patent to everyone who knows them that they were only laughing at him. Neither Mr. Bryan nor Mr. Bland ought to make campaign speeches in Pennsylvania. There is such a thing as taxing the patience and good humor of even well bred people too far; somebody might get hurt if Mr. Bland or Mr. Bryan talked too much in Pennsylvania.

It is a significant fact that in the list of ten items constituting the mineral products of the United States for 1895, silver represents less than one-eighth of the total value. The output of copper was worth more than that of silver, and the coal and iron products were respectively three times as valuable. But nobody is clamoring for the purchase of these other minerals by the government at an exorbitant price for the benefit of the mine owners.

Ex-Governor J. M. Thayer, of Nebraska, who lives in Lincoln, gives his word for it that Bryan can't carry his own ward, his own city, or his own county, and that Nebraska will go against him by 25,000 majority.

BRYAN IS NOTIFIED

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paid, a rising standard must be of more benefit to the companies than to its policy holders. Much solicitude is being expressed by our opponents for the depositor in the savings banks. They constantly parade before these depositors the advantages of the gold standard, but these appeals will be in vain, because the savings banks depositors know that under the gold standard there is an increasing danger that they will lose their deposits because of the inability of the banks to collect their assets and they still further know that if the gold standard is to continue indefinitely, they may be compelled to withdraw their deposits in order to pay living expenses. It is only necessary to note the increasing number of failures in order to know that the gold standard is ruinous to merchants and manufacturers.

"Relatively few, whose wealth consists largely in fixed investments, have the right to use the ballot to enhance the value of their investments. Have not the rest of the people the right to use the ballot to protect themselves from the disastrous consequences of a rising standard? People must purchase money with the products of their labor in a position entirely different from the position of those who own money or receive a fixed income. The well being of the nation—or civilization itself—depends on the prosperity of the masses.

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