

Daily Democrat.

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

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DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET

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THE TARIFF AND WAGES.

Some of our laboring men who receive a republican campaign document issued to show the rates of wages in this country and in England, Germany and other foreign countries, should make a few comparisons for themselves. Take, for instance, Germany, a high tariff or protection country, and England, the country that is being used so extensively as a spook. These two countries of Europe furnish means of comparison that should be valuable, if any such comparisons are valuable, for both are monarchies, thickly settled and subject to about the same competition. The table of wages in this valuable document shows, however, that England pays coal miners an average of \$1.23 per day, as against 80 cents in protected Germany. Other trades and occupations are in the same proportion. Shoemakers in England earn on an average \$6 a week, while under protection, in Germany, one can only make \$3.30 at this trade. Painters are paid in the two countries in the proportion of \$9 to \$4; carpenters earn \$10.50 in England, while in Germany they only make \$4; bricklayers make \$8.10 a week in England and only \$3.60 in Germany. So it goes through the list, while the ordinary necessities of life, such as meat, flour, sugar and potatoes, are from 15 to 25 per cent. higher in Germany than in England. Will anybody claim that the high tariff is responsible for this state of things? If not why claim that the high tariff in this country is responsible for our higher wages?

From every republican paper in Southern Oregon we find indubitable proof that Col. Irish's speeches have had telling effect on the minds of the voters in that region. Every republican exchange has its editorial columns filled with long and elaborate articles to break the effect of Mr. Irish's speeches. "Truth crushed to earth will rise again."

The democrat who bolts his ticket this year will be called a bolter two years from now. In these days when republican papers like the *Oregonian* are lashing their voters into line and demanding that they shall vote the "straight ticket," it would be well for every democrat in Linn county to carefully consider what his duties are in the premises.

Day by day the cheering news reaches us from various parts of the county that democrats are closing up the lines and will march on to complete victory on the 4th of June. This is presidential year, and the bright outlook for President Cleveland's re-election inspires democrats everywhere to stand together in solid phalanx to elect the whole county ticket.

Say, now, are Swift and Tanner republicans sent here by the leaders of that party to interfere in the politics of this state? Isn't this outside interference an insult to the republican voters of this state? Are they authorized to come here to tell republican voters how to vote? Honor bright, now, right up to the mark.

Let every democratic voter in the city turn out to hear Hon. Geo. H. Williams on next Monday evening. He is a man of ability and will present the republican side of the tariff with both skill and ingenuity. Democrats will always be the gainer where this question is discussed coolly, deliberately and with candor.

The *Eugene Journal* very pointedly condemns mud-slinging and other "slangy" conduct in political campaigns and then in the very same article calls Governor Penoyer a "free trade crank." The *Journal* very innocently means that no one shall throw mud at it or its political associates, but it shall have liberty to use all the mud it chooses.

Mr. Clay never supported as high protective duties as we now have, and doubtless he would be a strong opponent of the present tariff if alive. The most earnest tariff reformer of this day would be well content to have the duties reduced to Mr. Clay's schedules.

The number of Democratic state conventions that have declared for Grover Cleveland corresponds exactly with the number of states in which conventions have been held.

A careful estimate made by a democratic member of the ways and means committee leads to the following conclusion as to the result of the vote on the Mills bill:

"I believe the bill is stronger now than it ever was, and that it will pass substantially as it came from our committee. Of one thing you can be certain, either the House will pass a bill that will be of some advantage to the democratic party and the country at large, or it will pass none at all. I believe, however, that we are strong enough to pass this bill. There is a democratic majority in the House of eleven, and we count on the votes of three republicans, Knute Nelson, Lind, of Minnesota, and Fitch, of New York, and three independents, Smith, of Wisconsin, Anderson, of Iowa, and Hopkins, of Virginia? As an offset we expect to lose the Randall democrats, Randall and Sowden, of Pennsylvania, and Foran, of Ohio, certainly, and perhaps McAdoo, of New Jersey; Vance, of Connecticut; Wilkins, of Ohio; Bliss, Cummings, Merriman and Campbell, of New York. Even if all the doubtful democrats should vote with the opposition we shall still be able to pass the bill. When it was first introduced we expected to lose the votes of Ohio and California on the free-wool clause, but we now believe both the Ohio and California democrats will vote for our wool schedule."

The Mills bill makes a total reduction of \$78,000,000 of the surplus revenue coming into the treasury, \$34,000,000 being taken from the tariff and \$24,000,000 from internal revenue. It adds salt, wool, hemp, jute, tin plate, flax and some other articles to the non-dutiable or free list. The average tariff duty now upon all dutiable goods is 47 per cent, and the Mills bill reduces it to 40 per cent. Will the people who continually shriek "free trade" point out where the free trade comes in except upon the articles placed on the free list.

The *Oregonian* after being flatly told by Mr. Bush, Chairman of the State Democratic Committee, that no money has been sent from the East here to help the democrats, then dodges off into another line and says:

It may shrewdly be suspected that the administration's money would not be used through the state central committee, but would be distributed throughout the state by confidential agents, who are known to be going through every county. These things are done most effectively by ignoring the organized machinery and getting as near to the corruptible voter as possible.

The *Oregonian* seems to speak from age and experience in such business, and concludes that as that is the way republican leaders have always managed their corruption fund, democrats would do likewise. A gentleman who understands party tactics in this state informed the writer yesterday that "at this moment" Delph emissaries are at work in Josephine, Benton and every other close counties in the state, and this cry of the *Oregonian* is the old one of "stop thief."

The great majority of Americans suffer from the war tariff, but on none is the load so heavy as on the farmer. The beneficiaries of the tariff feed and grow fat off him. The high duties do him no good, for he sells his wheat at a price determined in the markets of Liverpool. An import tax of \$1 a bushel on wheat would profit the California farmer not one cent. The world's demand regulates his prices inexorably. Without any protection from the tariff, the farmer is systematically fleeced by the shears of every protected industry. He is plundered under the guise of law. If the farmers of the land really knew how large a share of their incomes is taken from them in this way, they would at once be up in organized rebellion to do battle at the polls.

More than 200,000 copies of Congressman Scott's tariff speech will be distributed. Mr. Scott generously offered to give each Representative 1,500 and each Senator any number under 3,000 free of charge. The Senators have nearly all taken the full number allowed, and Senator Kenna of West Virginia offers to take 100,000 on the same terms. Altogether more than 50,000 copies have been taken in the Senate, and nearly 150,000 in the House, with the list still incomplete. Mr. Scott has agreed to furnish 5,000 copies to each of his colleagues from Pennsylvania. Mr. Randall has not yet accepted his share.

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