

Daily Democrat.

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For President—GROVER CLEVELAND, of New York
or Vice President—ALLEN G. THURMAN, of Ohio.
For Presidential Electors—
W. H. BILYEU, of Linn county.
W. H. E. PINOKE, of Multnomah county.
E. R. SKIPWORTH, of Umatilla county.

The price of the American farm product is fixed in the London market, where, if it be wheat, it is brought into direct competition with wheat raised by the cheapest labor in the world, which is paid six cents a day. No tariff on agricultural productions can prevent this result; and why? Because we export 30 per cent of such products, and the price of the whole product is fixed by that surplus. Thus the protected tariff upon farm products does not help the farmer, while the tariff upon manufacturers forces him to pay 47 per cent more for the articles which he buys. He is told that this difficulty is offset by the advantage of a home market. What is his home market? This country consumes 70 per cent of its farm products, and exports 30 per cent of them. But the farmers are half of the population, and they therefore consume one-half of the 70 per cent product, or 35 per cent. The people engaged in manufactures, mining and mechanics are about one-half of the population. Their consumption, therefore, is about one-fifth of the 70 per cent, or 14 per cent of the whole. But of these people so engaged only about one-third are benefited by the high tariff. Mr. Russell, of Massachusetts, an admirable authority, says that not one in ten of the industries of that state is protected by the tariff, and the protected pay the lowest wages. This protected part would consume one-third of the 14 per cent, or a little less than 5 per cent of the farmer's product, while the foreign customer consumes 30 per cent. The home market, therefore, is a market in which the protected manufacturer offers to take 5 per cent of the farmer's crop, and to charge him for his manufactured goods in exchange 47 per cent more than they are worth in the markets of the world.

In 1882 Congressman Page of California introduced a bill to restrict Chinese immigration, in which was the following section:

"Sec. 14. That hereafter no state court or court of the United States shall admit Chinese to citizenship and all laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed."

A motion was made to strike this out of the bill and Mr. Harrison voted for the motion. He did not want a law that would prohibit our courts from admitting Chinamen to citizenship. If any one wants the proof of this vote let him refer to the Congressional Record, Vol. 13, part 4, page 3264. The Record may be seen at any time in the DEMOCRAT office. The motion to strike out the above section failed, and when the bill came up on its final passage Mr. Harrison voted against it. See page 3411, same Record as above. Nothing is more clearly established than that Mr. Harrison's whole course with reference to the Chinese question was opposition to all measures to restrict that class of people from emigrating here, and it is absurd in the extreme to suppose that his record can be covered up, as the Oregonian and other organs are attempting to do. Let the attention of every laboring man be called to this record.

In its issue of last Wednesday the Herald said that Mr. Mills in his speech before Congress in defense of his bill closed with these words:

"Then every industry will spring forward at a bound, and wealth, prosperity and power will bless the land that is dedicated to free men, free labor and free trade."

It made this statement to prove that the DEMOCRAT is in favor of free trade. Now, we have examined the speech of Mr. Mills and we find that he used no such language. What could have been the motive of the Herald editor when he attributed such language to Mr. Mills when he must have known that there was no truth in the statement? Did the Herald editor ever read Mr. Mills' speech, and did he have it before him when he attributed this language to him? This kind of misrepresentation is a species of moral forgery just as culpable in politics as signing another's name without authority would be in law. But it is the only way that that paper has of proving that the DEMOCRAT is in favor of free trade. But what must honest, truthful men think of a paper that will resort to such methods?

It is placing a shabby estimate on the boasted intelligence of the people to assume that any considerable number really believe that 5,000,000 Democratic voters deliberately wish to injure the country in which they live. They could not injure the country without involving themselves, and when they demand a reasonable reduction of taxation it is not for the purpose of driving themselves or anybody else to the wall. It will be a point of some value to the Republican party if it ever comes to understand that Democrats regard themselves as American citizens and propose to govern themselves accordingly in the future as they have done in the past.

Cleveland represents a policy which has cursed the grasping and defiant corporations with which the Government holds direct relations, and has resorted to the public domain vast tracts of land upon which they had seized without complying with the conditions of their grants, and he has courageously attacked the abuses and excesses of the tariff system under which monopolies are fostered and encouraged. Thurman stands conspicuously for resolute and unflinching efforts to compel the subsidized transcontinental lines of railroad to fulfill their obligations to the Government and the people. It looks as though the line were to be drawn in this contest between corporate power, aggregated capital, protected combinations, "monopoly," on one side, and the vast commercial and industrial interests of the mass of the people on the other. The result will depend on the intelligence, the honesty, the saving common sense of the people.

Democrats will be wise not to monkey with the Indian business in this campaign. The Iroquois were big Indians in their day. But the tribes of Tecumseh and the Prophet were made very sick in their scrapping match at Tippecanoe, with General Harrison, a good many years ago, and have been "good Indians" ever since. The present General Harrison will take the Iroquois into his camp.—Daily News.

Entirely off your bangs, sir. The present general Harrison will take a crew of Chinamen into his camp. See?

The Oregonian hints that likely republican organs will open a campaign of slander again against Cleveland. Very well, gentlemen, you tried that four years ago, and you doubtless have some faint recollection of the consequences of your rashness. By all means, try it again.

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