

A story is told of a political speaker in the recent campaign who began his remarks by quoting from the Bible, "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." "Now," said he, "let us have this understood, for unless we do, some one will claim that the republicans did it."

Mrs. Polk, who was mistress of the White House over forty years ago, is in her eighty-fifth year, and though more or less feeble, she is in comparatively good health. In walking she takes the arm of her maid with one hand, while in the other she carries a gold-headed crutch cane. Mrs. Polk pays no visits, but she goes to church every Sunday, and has not missed a communion in years.

It is more and more patent that apple growers should spray their apple trees with sprayings of London purple or Paris green in solution to protect them against attacks of the codling moth. Prof. A. J. Cook uses for this purpose one pound London purple to 100 gallons of water. Profitable apple culture depends largely upon successful combat with insect enemies.

The battle is not over. The monopolies have won a victory, but at a fearful cost to themselves and to the country. Their triumph will be short lived. The forces of selfishness, ignorance and corruption will not forever prevail. A reaction will come that will grind them to powder. It will come sooner than most reformers deem possible to-day, as they contemplate the disaster that has overtaken their great cause.

By selecting the best animals and seeds of the best plants a constant improvement will be the result. By neglecting to do so both animals and plants will degenerate. There is a tendency to always revert to the originals, which can only be prevented by the careful selection of the hardest, most perfect and best adapted to climatic influences. Every farmer in the country can assist in the work of improvement by giving attention to these matters.

Government officials assert that the demand for oleomargarine for consumption at home and abroad is steadily increasing. The average monthly production of oleomargarine, as shown by the internal revenue records for the last fiscal year, has been 2,860,460 pounds, compared to an average monthly production of 2,711,825 pounds during the eight months immediately following the passage of the law and preceding the fiscal year 1888. The quantity withdrawn monthly for export averaged 140,516 pounds, compared to 120,536 pounds during the preceding months. While there was an increase in the production and distribution of oleomargarine during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1888, there was a falling off in the number of persons engaged in the business.

Secretary Fairchild in his annual report says: "I cannot too strongly repeat my recommendations of last year, to reduce taxation and as far as possible, without too sudden disturbance of existing interests, to make this reduction in customs taxation, to the end that the people may get the greatest possible benefit from the reduction. Beside the vexed economic question as to whether the country can make itself prosperous by the tariff, whether it can increase the relative average comfort of its whole people by diverting a portion of its labor and capital from employments which could be most profitably followed under most natural conditions, thereby making the necessities of life more costly than they would be otherwise, there is a higher moral question which may well be asked, and that is, can a government be kept pure and free which, through the agency of its laws, offers vast pecuniary temptations to some kinds of business? There are many indications that this question must be answered in the negative. There are many proofs that large classes of other business men have come to depend for success upon their skill in the manipulation of Government agencies rather than upon industry, intelligence and honorable competition. It is not impossible that the eagerness for money which men assume comes to them only through Government may lead them to use an ever growing proportion of their gains to possess and influence the supposed source of their wealth: and will not the endeavor to make men rich soon become the chief function of our Government? Is this not already the case? If these dangers exist, if they are not overestimated, then can it be doubted that the true welfare of the people calls for the rescue of the Government from private business? Steps should at once be taken in that direction, always, however, let me repeat, bearing in mind the interests which have become established under the present laws, to the end that they may not suffer unduly while beneficent reforms are made."

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