

THE DAILY DEMOCRAT.

LEATHER LABOR AGAIN ATTACKED.

In 1888, when Quay's boodle campaign was organized and higher taxes upon the people were for sale to monopoly trusts for spot cash, the Western Cattle Trust, headed by the "Big Four," made their bid for a tax upon the now successful leather industries of the country, and the bid was accepted. A large contribution for political boodle, understood to have been \$100,000, secured the promise that a tax of 1 1/2 cents per pound would be put upon hides by the new tariff. The "Big Four" paid the cash, and now they claim the swag.

The Western Cattle Trust is one of the most complete monopolies on the continent. It has steadily reduced the price of cattle in buying from the western farmers until many cattle-growers have been bankrupted, and it has as steadily maintained or increased the price of beef to consumers. As it practically controls the cattle trade of the entire country, it is now strong enough to force the price of cattle down to a starvation point for the farmer, and to keep up the price of beef to consumers; but it is content. It paid its cash by contract for a tax of 1 1/2 cents per pound on raw hides. With the understanding that it should be called protection to the farmer; but while the tax on hides would be hundreds of thousands of additional profit to the cattle trust, that handles millions of cattle, it would be no material benefit to the farmer who sells three or four hides a year, and it would make him pay three or fourfold more in increased cost of shoes, harness, belting etc., than he could possibly gain by a tax on his hides.

Of all the many monstrous sales of heavy taxes on the people for the benefit of monopoly greed, this contract with the grasping cattle trust to tax our leather industries and to tax the whole people of the country as consumers of shoes, etc., is the most atrocious. It is simply taxing a now well established leather industry that supplies the entire American market with American made leather, American made shoes, American made harness, etc., and furnishes them cheaper and better than ever before in our history and exports \$10,000,000 of American products to foreign markets; and this tax is levied solely because Phil Armour's Cattle Trust has paid for it in campaign boodle and now demands his price as deomoninated in his bond. Could partisan madness run wilder in the path of destruction than the McKinley committee is now rushing into the deadly embrace of the monopoly greed that demands increased tribute from every industry and from every consumer?

Eighteen years ago there was universal paralysis among our leather industries and many of our tanneries were closed by the Sheriff. An appeal was made to Congress to save the leather industry by making hides free, and a republican house, republican senate and republican president appointed the measure. Hides were made free and that release of a great industry from crushing taxes speedily did it until American labor not only all our leather and all our belting, etc., but furnishes the lowest prices ever found in our market, and sends \$10,000,000 abroad. To restore the tax on hides would be simply to remand the now complete American industry to embarrassment or bankruptcy, and to increase the cost of shoes to nearly seventy millions of people and the cost of harness to every farmer in the land, and why? Simply because a Cattle Trust that now controls and reduces the price of cattle and controls and keeps up or increases the price of beef, has paid boodle tribute to debauch our politics, and it demands its promised reward.

The city of New York is nearly always undergoing investigation by the state legislature. At present, however, not merely the metropolis, but many other large cities of the state, seem anxious to undergo the purgatorial process. This, however, is not the ideal method of good government. Spasmodic investigations, continued a few weeks and then forgotten, are not a substitute for the eternal vigilance which Thomas Jefferson said was the price of liberty and is equally the price of honest government. In just the proportion that the people are too careless or unintelligent to give their officials this watchful regard, then free institutions have in part failed. The rule everywhere is that the mass of the people are all right, and need as little interference as possible, but that this condition is always reversed as to the office-holding class.

Canon cast for the British government are now fitted with a device by which the guns can be aimed at night.

New Addition.—"Wright's addition" to Albany is now on the market and comprises 166 large, level and beautiful building lots. The blocks have eight lots to the block, each lot being 60 by 100 feet. The streets are 60 feet wide, with two large avenues, one of 100 feet, the other of 90 feet in width. There will probably be a motor or electric line to this addition before long. For terms of sale apply to any real estate agent in the city.

Good Beef.—Grant Haight has just received a full supply of corn-fed beef purchased of N G McDonald of Seaf. It is fat and juicy.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

FOR STATE SENATORS—Hon J K Weatherford and Hon Jeff Myers.
REPRESENTATIVES—C J J. Shedd, Hon F C Hainsard and Dr J F Henry.
COUNTY COMMISSIONER—William Rumbaugh.
COUNTY RECORDER—E E Davis.
SHERIFF—Matt Scott.
COUNTY CLERK—N P Payne.
COUNTY TREASURER—W E Curl.
ASSESSOR—H S Williams.
SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT—G F Russell.
COUNTY SURVEYOR—E J O'Connor.

Inquiry made in France in order to carry out the new law giving certain advantages to fathers of more than seven children has elicited, among other things, the fact that there are 2,000,000 households in which there has been no child.

Nearly half of the railway mileage on the earth is in the United States.

France has half as many people as the United States, but her national debt is twice as great as ours.

COMING EVENTS.

April 10 and 11. Merchants' Carnival at the Opera House. Admission, 50 cts. Reserved seats at Blackman's.
April 12. Arbor Day. Exercises under auspices of public school at Opera House. Admission, 10 cts.
April 14. Oakland and San Francisco to be destroyed, according to Mrs Woodworth.
April 15. State Sunday School convention at McMinnville.
April 16. Republican State Convention at Portland.
April 22. Benton County Democratic Convention.
April 24. State Democratic Convention at Portland.
June 2. State and County elections.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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A good stock farm, 2 miles from Shedd, 160 acres. \$2500.
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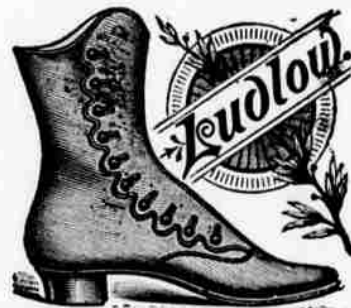
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