

Daily Democrat.

LOOK A LITTLE DEEPER.

The Herald says:

In a recent lecture Mr Ingalls said that millionaires in this country existed because they had more brains than their fellow men and by virtue of this brain power were enabled to accumulate their millions.

The fact is that no more erroneous conclusion was ever arrived at by Mr Ingalls. It is not a mark of superiority of brain power, when a man has the control of all the flour manufactured in the world to add a few cents per pound above its actual worth, to the price and force starving people to pay that price, and thus produce his millionaire possessions. It might perhaps be called cunning, and it does at present command admiration—as shown in the attitude of both Mr Ingalls and the Oregonian—but carefully subjected to a Diogenian lantern scrutiny and it bears more of the impress of the stand and deliver of the highwayman.

Indeed, our cotemporary is right so far as it goes, but unfortunately it skims the shell but never reaches the kernel. When a man has a "corner," a monopoly on trade, it requires no great amount of brains to enable him to take advantage of it and soon to emerge into a millionaire. When one man or one set of men have this advantage, then indeed do all others suffer. The protective tariff is a scheme gotten up expressly to give certain men this monopoly in trade that they may become "millionaires." For instance, the theory of protection is that we will shut out certain articles from our market. That gives the American manufacturer of that article the monopoly of the market and hence he can advance his prices or keep them from declining as they would do, frequently, under healthy competition, and thus compel all consumers of that article to pay tribute to him. Of course the protective tariff can not protect or benefit the consumer and as the consumer is the most numerous class of all classes of our people the many are thus made to suffer for the benefit of the few. This is the very quintessence of protectionism. As the Herald says of the man who controls the flour market, so the scheme of protection "bears the impress of the stand and deliver of the highwayman." The whole system of legislation of the Herald's party has been to put the control of the markets and trade in the hands of the few, knowing full well that it does not require any "superiority of brain power to add a few cents" to the yard, pound or other measure of the article to be sold. It is not a matter of surprise that under this system the classes have become wealthy while the masses have remained in the clutches of poverty.

Miller Purvis formerly state lecturer for the Farmer's Alliance of Ohio, and now editor of the Alliance Herald in that state says:

"I am an old republican and I believe in the old principles of the party still. But the party has abandoned its principles and I can't stand by it.

"There are 100,000 republicans in Ohio in the same boat with me, and I know that at least fifty thousand will have backbone enough to vote against McKinley.

"The majority against McKinley will be the largest ever recorded against a candidate in Ohio. It will exceed the memorable 102,000 against Vallandigham, just after the war.

"The people's party will poll at least 100,000 votes. I doubt whether the head of the ticket will have so large a vote, but the aggregate in the counties will probably exceed 100,000."

If the theory of the Oregonian and other republican journalists be correct that a good crop and fair prices would disband the alliance, then as a business scheme would it not be wise for that party to expend their campaign funds in advancing the price of wheat? The very fact that the financiers of the G. O. P. (and they have some very good ones) do not do so, is the emptiest kind of buncombe. Let a few of the more wealthy class of politicians raise the price of wheat to five dollars a bushel, and if the theory be good, you have dug a grave so deep for the alliance that a grave-rover would not waste time in looking for it. This is certainly a fine field for investment and we wonder that the party don't take advantage of it.—Advance.

Notwithstanding all the talk that is from time to time floated around concerning the objections and alleged antipathy of the farmers to Cleveland and the preference of North Carolina for Hill, one of the eminently intelligent and conservatively correct men in the state has recently stated that conversations with the Tar Heel farmers have irresistibly brought him to the conviction that they will not have any one else for president except Cleveland. Traits which have alienated the professional politicians from him are just what the farmers most approve. With no little force they say that he has been tried, and they know what sort of a man he is. Their view of it is certainly reasonable and sensible.

Has the casual reader observed how mute the Oregonian and other republican organs are on the subject of the spoils system? They are as silent as the dead on the subject. How these organs did rail at Cleveland's, charging him with following Jackson's example of turning out his enemies and putting in his friends. Now, that Harrison has outdone all his predecessors in the business of rewarding his political friends with the offices, these organs are supremely but slyly silent. What was a crime under Cleveland, is done daily as a matter of course under Harrison; at least this is the way the organs make up the case.

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"Phat do yez expect to find up there, sir?"

"Excelsior!"

"Excelsior, is it! Begorra, man, they don't kape it there, at all, at all. Thry the furniture shore."

This youth of Longfellow's creative fancy has a counterpart in the Dalles Times-Mountaineer, with its war cry of "British free trade," constantly reiterated and used in lieu of argument it expects to demolish Democracy in 1892.—Wasco County Sun.

The Sun is making it remarkably hot for the Times-Mountaineer on the absurdities and iniquities of the scheme of McKinleyism.

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