

LIGHT IS BREAKING.

To the mind of every thinking man the death-knell of McKinleyism was sounded in 1892. Republican leaders, it is true, are attempting to make friends for that effete monarchy, by alleging that the stringency through which the country is now passing is caused by the effort now being made in congress to reform the tariff. But these leaders are making no headway. Their attempt to frighten is a miserable failure. The people have been too often deluded by these protection leaders. The republican party will never make another presidential campaign, pledged specifically to McKinleyism. Mark the prediction. The Oregonian has many enemies in Oregon; more in its own party than there is among the democrats. Whatever may be said as to this unpopularity and the cause of it, nevertheless it can not be gained that the paper is edited with marked ability. It can discern the tendency of the times quicker than any other republican paper on the coast. It frequently finds itself at cross purposes with its own party by disclosing such "tendencies." A very remarkable and significant article appeared in the issue of that paper of Sunday, January 23, under the heading of a "Tariff For The Times." In this article that paper says: "For the past ten years the great object of legislation has been to diminish excessive revenues." That is gospel truth when we consider the motive that inspired the construction of the McKinley bill. But there was another great object in the passage of that bill. It was the purpose of McKinley and his confederates to so fasten protectionism upon the country that they would never be able to shake off the great load. So confident was McKinley, after the passage of his bill, that he had secured his purpose, that he openly boasted that the democrats could not pass a tariff bill in ten years. Now, how, did McKinley proceed to reduce the revenue and at the same time fasten protection upon the country? He put sugar upon the free list which reduced the revenues about sixty million dollars per year. This was purely a revenue tariff for the whole tariff tax on sugar was about sixty six millions. Sixty millions of this was paid into the treasury of the United States and the other six millions into pockets of sugar producers in the South. In order to further reduce the surplus revenues in the treasury that had accumulated under Mr Cleveland's first administration, McKinley provided for a bounty of two cents a pound for all sugar produced in this country. This reduction amounted to twelve or fifteen millions more. Then he largely increased the duties upon woolen and cotton goods and many other articles to a point partially and sometimes wholly prohibitive. Thus McKinley thought, and boasted openly, that he had irrevocably fixed the yoke of protection upon the necks of the unthinking people of the country. His great mistake was in promising that the mass of the people were unthinking. The Oregonian now frankly admits that all such schemes of protective legislation must be changed. This is truly refreshing. More than that, it is full of patriotic hope. It can lidly admit that "judicious and effective legislation must be devised to increase the revenues." Yes, indeed, Harrison, McKinley and Reed being driven from power left a bankrupt treasury as a heritage to their successors. Oh, what a grave mistake the Oregonian made in not giving the advice it now gives, to Harrison and his coadjutors. Here is another bit of candor unwittingly expressed: "Protective legislation and blind adherence to theories have brought our finances into the present state of distress." This is too well-known to call for proof. The financial legislation complained of was all enacted by a republican congress and thus it appears that we are indebted to that party for the ills a nation now complains of. That paper continues: "Neither party is guiltless. One has sacrificed revenue directly to pile up protection to excess. The other has sacrificed revenue indirectly, by destroying industries that yield revenue, in order to get rid of protection." That the republican part has sacrificed revenue directly to pile up protection to excess, needs no better nor more conclusive proof than the provisions of the McKinley law above cited. But the democrats have not passed a tariff law since 1890, hence the OREGONIANS allegation against that party has no foundation upon which to stand. Again it says: "What the country needs now is neither a pure revenue nor a protective tariff, which shall yield adequate revenue without destroying industries." Well, well, well. Isn't this coming down from a very high horse? Are we soon to be treated in the very near future to editorials similar to that appeared in that paper in 1881-2-3? Again it says: "The thing to do now is to retrace our mistaken steps; to undo the mischief of both McKinley and Wilson."

We should restore the duty on sugar and put a duty on tea and coffee to assure a sun and adequate revenue." Well this is free trade pure and simple judged by the criterion laid down by republican papers themselves. Big the OREGONIANS is awful if not sound. The hidden motive in this proposition is another effort to secure such tariff legislation as will render it unnecessary to pass an income tax law. While it is sometimes difficult to tell "where the OREGONIANS is at," yet there is one fact that may always be relied upon; it always has a scheme to benefit the rich at the expense of the poor. It further says: "We should prune the excess of McKinley protection leaving adequate ad valorem protection on legitimate home manufactures, and give pledge that this shall not be disturbed."

Coming down to democratic ad valorem duties. The Light will have much more intensity in a few months. But why should be Oregonian indulge in foolish talk about granting adequate ad valorem protection and giving pledge that such tariff rates shall not be disturbed? Who has authority to make such pledge? One congress can not bind any succeeding congress. But the day of high protection is passed.

When the populists meet in State convention, all will not be smooth sailing when they proceed to a statement of the issue of the campaign—the adoption of a platform. There are those who will insist that only money questions are at issue. Some will insist on making free and unlimited coinage of silver the only issue. Others will insist that the secretary of the treasury must be instructed to issue two thousand millions of greenbacks and loan it to land owners at 2 per cent per annum. Scores of others will insist on the party taking a position on the tariff question while others will insist on dodging it.

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Done by order of said association this 16th day of Jan 17, 1894. C. B. WILSON, Secretary. C. H. STEWART, President.

Assignee's Notice.

In the matter of the assignment of Henry Freeman Pound an insolvent debtor.

Notice is hereby given that Henry Freeman Pound has assigned to me all his property for the benefit of all his creditors in accordance with the laws of the state of Oregon relating to general assignments by insolvent debtors. All creditors of the said Henry Freeman Pound are notified to present their claims, under oath, to me at the office of Blackburn & Watson, attys., in the city of Albany, Oregon, within three months from the date of this notice. Dated Albany, Or., Dec 8th, 1893. B. H. IRVING, Assignee.

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