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AROUND A GREAT STATE.

Michigan Horticultural.

The sixteenth annual meeting of the State Horticultural society was held in Benton Harbor...

MINOR STATE HAPPENINGS.

Bertha Duckwitz, a young lady aged 29 years, living on Chestnut street, Detroit...

CONGRESS CONDENSED.

DEC. 7.-SENATE.-At precisely noon the Senate adjourned for the session of the 49th Congress...

EASTERN ECHOS.

To signers are related work at the Pittsburgh office of the Standard Oil Company...

DETROIT MARKETS.

WHEAT.-No. 1 white, spot, 90c bid, 91c asked; December, 89c bid, 90c asked...

WESTERN WHISPERS.

Oklahoma is now free from intruders. Four Indians roamed there. Stanton alive at San Bernardino...

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A QUARTER DAY IN GEORGIA.

How the Pastor at Big Lick Received Contributions from His Parishioners. More than half a century ago, writes a Macon, Ga., correspondent to the New York Sun, when Big Lick Creek...

WASHINGTON WAFFLES.

Congressman Warner says the silver coinage measure to be taken at the next congress will startle the silver men.

FOREIGN FRAGMENTS.

King Theobald's surrender was unconditional. The British Mediterranean squadron is being strengthened.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1885.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

The annual message of President Cleveland was sent to congress on Tuesday. It was not sent on Monday, the usual day, out of respect to the memory of vice-president Hendricks, and the message opens with a touching tribute to the character and services of that distinguished statesman.

The president informs congress that our relations with all foreign governments are on a friendly footing. He alludes to the appointment and rejection of Kelly as minister to Austria, and intimates that no further appointment will be made. The failure to have a minister at Vienna will be no loss to the country, on the other hand it will be a saving of at least \$100,000 per year. Twenty-five years ago, when our commerce covered every sea, there was a propriety or necessity in having a resident minister at foreign capitals to look after the various and complicated interests of that commerce, and the rights of the thousands of American citizens engaged in it; but since, after twenty-five years of republican rule, our commerce has disappeared from the ocean, and the American flag is rarely seen, in any foreign port, these resident ministers have become unnecessary. They are an expensive and useless luxury. Their principal business is to attend the parties and help to make up the trains of the royal families and thus contribute, at our expense, to the glare and humbuggery by which those royal families keep themselves in power. The whole business is undemocratic and ought to be abolished. If the rejection of Kelly is the beginning of the end of it, we all ought to rejoice.

The president alludes to the ship canal being dug across the Isthmus of Panama, and intimates very strongly that this nation will not permit it to fall under the exclusive control of one nation, or be used, in any event, for purposes hostile to this country. It must be an open highway to the world's commerce, neutral in time of war and equally free to all nations in the time of peace. This sound and patriotic sentiment of democracy is in direct opposition to the policy of the democratic party of the republican factions as well.

The president has the manliness and courage to say that, while the Chinese question, is not in satisfactory shape, the whole power of the government will be exerted to maintain good faith with China and faithfully carry out our treaty stipulations. But the larger part of the message is devoted to the great questions of the tariff, currency and coinage.

Upon the tariff the president takes a moderate course and recommends no radical changes at present, except that in his opinion the duty should be taken off from those articles which enter into the common and daily use of the people, which means, of course, such articles as lumber, sugar and salt. This is free trade as far as it goes and sound democratic doctrine. The democratic party has ever maintained that common, every day articles which are necessary to the common people, should be made cheap by free trade—while it has been the policy of the republican party to make them dear by a tariff.

Upon the subject of the currency the president expresses a fear that under the present system gold will gradually disappear by exportation and hoarding, and as the gold value of a silver dollar is only about eighty-three cents, the result will be a practical reduction of wages, as the purchasing power of the wages which the laborer will receive, will be greatly reduced. The wealthy classes, in case of a depreciated currency, can always, by a little forethought, take care of themselves, while the poor are those who suffer most, and it is with a wise and truly democratic forethought for their interests that the president calls attention to the danger of substituting silver for gold as the exclusive currency of the country.

Consistently with this theory the president squarely opposes any further coinage of silver, at least until the \$175,000,000 now lying idle in the treasury vaults goes into circulation. Of course, the idea of the government buying and paying out \$2,000,000 of gold every month for silver to be coined and then lay idle in the treasury, of no more practical value than so much dirt or lead, is absurd. Such a system benefits the silver miners, who by such a scheme compel the people to buy their merchandise, but it is an absolute injury to everybody else—it is a part of the old republican policy of building up and supporting monopolies at the expense of the people.

The president recommends a thorough overhauling of the navy department and its methods of conducting business. Under the management of the last twenty years our navy has literally gone to pieces and become a laughing stock to the civilized world. It is humiliating to think that the navy of Italy, Austria, worn-out Spain, and even little Denmark, is superior to ours! Yet nearly as much money has been spent for our navy in the last twenty years as by all these countries combined! Coach, Robeson, Chandler, and their cohorts, have preyed upon the American navy not even the ribs of those old ships of war, which were once the glory of the country, remain.

In this long message, which it takes an hour and a half to read, the president discusses the reports of the heads of the different branches of the public service in a clean and manly way. He adheres firmly to civil service reform and talks in a plain and forcible style of the Mormon question. Polygamy, which has flourished splendidly since the republican party in 1856 pronounced it "a twin relic of barbarism," under a democratic administration "has got to go." The president closes this able document, which every democrat should read, as follows:

In conclusion I commend to the wise and thoughtful attention of congress the needs, the welfare and the aspirations of an intelligent and generous nation. To subordinate these to the narrow advantages of partisanship or the accompaniment of selfish aims is to violate the people's trust and betray the people's interests. But an individual sense of responsibility on the part of each of us and stern determination to perform our duty well must give us place and generation to the glory and prosperity of our beloved land.

The above subject being the most important now under consideration by our nation, it becomes the duty of all to think about and analyze its effects on the prosperity of the country so that they may vote intelligently for or against it. For that purpose we reproduce, from our old files, the honest sentiments of a thirty year republican. Though the article be short the reader will find it comprises more self evident truths than can be gleaned from a 500 page book on politics or political economy. Therefore you will do well to preserve and carefully study it at your leisure. The article is the following, entitled:

PROTECTIONS AND TRADE.

From the fitness of things, and by the eternal laws of our being, production and trade alike, are naturally, and forever ought to be, absolutely free. The healthy power to increase revenues by imports, was, originally the device of despotic kings, who had already squeezed from their people by tax all they could possibly be.

The selfish grasping kings of old—like the wily and selfish protectionists now, made their ignorant admirers believe that all the imports were paid by the nations with whom they traded.

The claim that labor is better paid in the import system than it would be with free trade, is but shallow sophistry. There is neither benevolence nor philanthropy in the labor system of this or any country.

The wealth of all nations goes on the markets for labor, just as it does for the purchase of its productions, buying where it is cheapest, and selling where it is dearest.

The money price of labor in this country is greater than elsewhere, because the money measures of all values, is greater here, than in most other countries.

Nevertheless many industries have been bolstered into existence by so-called protection, which would otherwise be unprofitable, and some of them should be made by a gradual abolition of the duties now imposed.

The right to produce and trade, barter, buy and sell, is inherent and God-given, therefore inalienable and indefeasible. The ordinary burdens of government should be provided for by direct tax on the property of a country, leaving all sources for the production of useful things as free as the air we breathe.

No should any country tax its people to pay premiums on the production of anything which would otherwise be unprofitable.

So long as the climate, or the soil, or the financial conditions of a people, make the production of anything more expensive than the same quality can be produced and supplied by others, will be the duty of that country to supply its wants by an exchange of such goods as some other country has in abundance.

Some 20 years ago many fanatical farmers in Illinois thought to achieve independence from the south, and at the same time add a valuable crop to their state's productions by offering a premium for state grown cotton. The experiment produced some excellent cotton, but they soon found the same labor on corn would buy double their average yield of cotton.

It ought to be self evident to every thinking man that the climate and soil of every country, and the genius of every man should be managed and encouraged to produce that for which it or he is best adapted.

Each country and man, being encouraged to produce that for which it or he is best adapted, the supply of everything will become abundant, provided the purchase and sale shall be free, so that exchange can be economically made.

When we levied heavy import duties on iron, we encouraged capital to earn ten per cent, to compete with European firms earning but four per cent.

Thus, for many years, the iron used in this country has paid double interest, and made its producers enormously rich. Such too, has been the history of all protected goods. Protection not only robs the consumer, and enriches the producer, but it has proceeded demoralization throughout the land.

Men in high places, from every state and territory, have been systematically subsidized to do the bidding of those who make protected goods.

Though the popular free trade theory of a tariff for revenue is far less objectionable than a tariff for protection it is nevertheless a very expensive and also highly demoralizing. Think of ladies' ministers wives—boasting how they deceived the collector of customs.

Table with columns: NAME OF PERSON, PAYING TAX, KIND OF BUSINESS, AMT PAID, WHEN PAID. Lists various individuals and their tax payments for different businesses.

Table with columns: CITY OF YPSILANTI, NAME, KIND OF BUSINESS, AMT PAID, WHEN PAID. Lists businesses in Ypsilanti.

Additional to bear tax. FREDERICK H. BELSER, County Treasurer. C. A. Mathewson is manufacturing a Hitching Post. It is turned from heavy timber and has an iron cap. Also lists various notices and advertisements.

Estate of John W. Connitt.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Washtenaw ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the county of Washtenaw, held at the Probate Office in the city of Ann Arbor, on Thursday, the 19th day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Emily Connitt, praying that a certain instrument now on file in this court, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, may be admitted to probate, and that she may be appointed executrix thereof.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Byron W. Forbes, administrator with the will annexed of said estate, praying that he may be licensed to sell the real estate thereof said deceased decedent.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of William D. Harriman, Judge of Probate, in the matter of the estate of William Humphrey, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Parley Ann Ladd, in the matter of the estate of Parley Ann Ladd, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of John Finnegan, in the matter of the estate of John Finnegan, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of James Monaghan, in the matter of the estate of James Monaghan, deceased.

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ANNOUNCEMENT! I desire to say to friends and public that I have removed to No. 10 East Huron Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

ANN ARBOR ORGAN WORKS Estate of Eldad Spaencer. At a session of the Probate Court for the county of Washtenaw, held at the Probate Office in the city of Ann Arbor, on Wednesday, the 18th day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five.

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