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**Speculation in Breadstuffs.**

The anti-option bill has passed the House and it is quite likely that it will come up in the Senate next week. This bill is intended to prevent speculation in grain and dealing in futures and options in bread stuffs. It is a well known fact that the grain markets are practically controlled by speculators—not by men who actually deal in the cereals, but by those who buy and sell what they never handle. Hundreds of millions of bushels of wheat and corn are yearly sold where not one bushel ever passes and of which one grain never exists.

The markets for grain are naturally in sympathy with these operations because the real causes which affect the prices of grain are used in these speculations to put "options and futures" up or down. There are two classes of operators known as "bulls" and "bears," who like the ancient's notions of the spirits of "Good" and "Evil," are constantly warring with each other—the "bulls" to raise the market and the "bears" to depress it. Grain crops that have never sprouted in the ground are sold to be delivered months or a year hence. We hear of "floods in the West," "chinch-bugs and killing frosts" and all the accidents growing crops may be subject to. Another time crops and immmnent war in Europe. These are the bull's expedients to raise the market. Again come the report of an unusual acreage planted, fine growing weather, crops away above the average, good crops and everything peaceful and lovely in Europe. This is the work of the bears. These things keep the market see-sawing and keep the minds of the unsophisticated farmers vacillating. They have no means of knowing the truth and they sell their produce at random and most frequently are caught.

Now the question whether this can be prevented or remedied by legislation is very doubtful. Our grain centers of Chicago and New York control neither the real nor the speculative grain markets of the world. It is done in London and Paris and abroad where our surplus is purchased and consumed.

An anti-option law or enactments against dealing in futures here would have but little effect to cure the evil and protect the farmer because they would not reach the source of the trouble. It might accomplish something, but very little good would come to the farmer from such legislation. These efforts are worth a trial. But it is the old, old story of innate human depravity. Men have a universal predilection to gamble in some shape or form just as they have an appetite for some kind or other of stimulants. Shut off the source of one and they find another frequently worse to take its place.

**Streets Strewn With Dead.**

According to advices from Turkestan, cholera is making fearful ravages in Persia and Afghanistan. The streets of Turbatyshan are strewn with unburied corpses, and the inhabitants, as many as can, are fleeing from the town, while the Mollahs, Koran in hand, parade the streets at the head of the populace beseeching Allah for deliverance from the scourge.

The Teheran correspondent of the London Times says that official figures in regard to the epidemic of cholera show that the mortality does not exceed 100 daily, while private inquiries prove that the number of deaths from the disease is double those figures.

The Calcutta correspondent of the Times calls for a searching inquiry into the case of the British ship Crofton Hall, Capt. Lyons, which sailed from Calcutta on June 3 for Hull. The correspondent says that after the ship had been out ten days she returned with nearly all her crew of 29 men dead or in a dangerous condition. During the comparatively short time she had been at sea six deaths from cholera had occurred aboard the vessel, and 18 other men were stricken with the malady. It is alleged that the outbreak of the disease was due to the men eating bad salt meat.

Roland Walker and Thomas Nicholson, both eighteen years old, were accidently drowned last Saturday afternoon while bathing in Tar river, near Rocky Mount.

**Truth Handled Carelessly.**

"That a free people should cast a free vote and have it honestly recorded and returned is the dream and determination of the Republican party and the despair and nightmare of the Democrat. It is the pride of the Republican party that it never yet has committed an assault upon the freedom of the ballot."

Temporary Chairman Fassett gave utterance, among other misleading statements, to the above in his address before the Minneapolis convention. It is a plain case of handling truth in a very careless manner. Mr. Fassett knows that his charge against the Democratic party and laudation of the Republican party in this quotation are false. He cannot be ignorant of the fact that one of the Republican Presidents occupied that position when the people had declared by their ballots that he was not entitled to it. He is also aware of the fact that the Republican party has often over-ridden the will of the people by the power of money and other dark methods.

The Democratic party believe that necessity exists for ballot reform as much as for tariff reform, but it don't believe in the fraudulent kind of ballot reform known as the Force bill, which is only a dodge to deceive the unthinking and augment the corruption that already exists in elections.

If Mr. Fassett were to correct the closing sentence in the above clipping from his speech in consonance with the history of the Republican party, it would be so altered that it would be beyond recognition.

THE House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce has authorized Representative O'Neill of Missouri, to report favorably a bill to promote the safety of railway employes and passengers. It requires locomotives to be equipped with power breakes sufficient to control a train. Every new locomotive after July 1893 must be equipped and after July 1895 all locomotives. After July 1895 all new cars or old cars sent to the shops for repairs, must be equipped with automatic couplers, and after July 1898 all cars must be so equipped. After July 1895, all new cars (and after July 1898, all cars) must be provided with continuous brakes, to be operated by the locomotive. In July 1893, every common carrier shall file with the Interstate Commerce Commission a statement stating the automatic coupler which it prefers. If any coupler receives 75 per cent of the votes, it shall be adopted as the standard automatic coupler. If no coupler receives this percentage the commission shall, within six months, designate a standard automatic coupler.

**The Fall of the Graduate.**

The old man, the old woman and the children had traveled ten miles in an ox cart to see the young man graduate. It had cost the man all the cash in sight to give his boy the chance, and now he was going to see him distinguish himself. He arrived and found his son in the hall, talking with three Professors. The young man glared at him in gold eyeglasses and yellow shoes. "I believe you are my father?" he said, with condescension, "but really you are quite disguised in that old hickory-striped shirt. Pull it off as soon as you can. I'll lend you one of my white ones. And mother, I must see your milliner. You look a fright in that bonnet. And that little cotton-head chap—my brother, I believe?—why don't you dye his hair? He's in bad taste, you know? And, father, send the ox cart home by your footman. I'll hire a carriage, you know. Oh, I've got lots to learn you. Just wait till I get home!"

While the graduate was going on in this style, the dumbfounded old man was slowly divesting himself of his home-made coat, and as slowly rolling up the sleeves of his hickory-striped shirt. Then he fell upon the graduate's neck, and the latter fell upon the floor, before the astonished Professors. "Sit on his head, old woman!" shouted the old man, "and hand me that buggy trace, Jimmy. W'y, the darned onery critter's done forgot his raisin'! That's it, Maria! Hold him down, while I frail the life outen him!"

And ten minutes later the graduate, minus the gold eyeglasses and the yellow shoes, was being hauled home in the ox cart, and his mother was wondering if a flaxseed poultice wouldn't help his head.

GROVER CLEVELAND.

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**The Text of the Platform.**

Section 1. The representatives of the Democratic party of the United States in national convention assembled reaffirm their allegiance to the principles of the party as formblated by Jefferson and exemplified by a long illustrious line of his successors of Democratic leadership from Madison to Cleveland. We believe the public welfare demands that these principles be applied to the conduct of the federal government through accession to power of the party that votes them; and we solemnly declare that the need of a return to these fundamental principles of free, popular government, based on home rule and individual liberty, was never more urgent than now, when the tendency to centralize all power at the federal capital has become a menace to the reserved rights of the States that strikes at the very roots of our government, and under the constitution as framed by the fathers of the republic.

Sec. 2. We warn the people of our common country, jealous for the preservation of their free institutions that the policy of the federal control of elections to which the Republican party has committed itself, is fraught with the gravest dangers, scarcely less momentous than would result from a revolution practically establishing monarchy on the ruins of the Republicans. It strikes at the North as well as the South, and injures the colored citizen even more than the white; it means a horde of deputy marshals at every polling place armed with federal power, returning boards appointed and controlled by federal authority, the outrage of the electorial right of the people in several States, the subjugation of the colored people to the control of the party in power and the reviving of race antagonisms now happily abated, of the utmost peril to the safety and happiness of all; a measure deliberately and justly defined, by a leading Republican Senator as "the most infamous bill that ever crossed the threshold of the Senate."

Such a policy, if sanctioned by law, would mean the dominance of a self perpetuating oligarchy of office holders, and the party first entrusted with its machinery could be dislodged from power only by an appeal to the reserved right of the people to resist oppression which is inherent in all self governing communities. Two years ago this revolutionary policy was emphatically condemned by the people at the polls; but in contempt of that verdict, the republican party has definately declared it its latest authoritative utterance that its success in the coming elections will meet the enactment of the force bill and the usurpation of despotic control over elections in all States. Believing that the preservation of republican government in the United States is dependent upon the defeat of this policy of legalized force and fraud, we invite the assistance of all citizens who desire to see the constitution maintained in its integrity with the laws pursuant thereto which have given our county a hundred years of unexampled prosperity; and we pledge the Democratic party, if it be entrusted with power, not only to the defeat of the force bill, but also to relentless opposition to the republican policy of profligate expenditure, which in the short space of two years has squandered an enormous surplus and emptied an overflowing treasury after piling new burdens of taxation upon the already overtaxed labor of the country.

Sec. 3. We reiterate the oft-repeated doctrines of the democratic party that the necessity of the government is the only justification for taxation, and whenever a tax is unnecessary it is unjustifiable; that when custom-house taxation is levied upon articles of any kind produced in this country the difference between the cost of labor here and labor abroad, when such difference exists fully measures any possible benefits to labor and the enormous additional impositions of the existing tariff fall with crushing force upon our farmers and workingmen, and for the mere advantage of the few whom it enriches, exacts from labor a grossly unjust share of the expenses of the government, and we demand such a revision of the tariff laws as will remove their iniquitous inequalities, lighten their oppressions and put them in a constitutional and equitable basis. But in making reductions in taxes, it is not proposed to injure any domestic industries, but rather to promote their healthy growth. From the foundation of this government the taxes collected at the custom house have been the chief source of federal revenue. Such they must continue to be. Moreover, many industries have come to rely upon legislation for successful continuance, so that any change of law must be at every step regardful of the labor and capital thus involved. The process of reform must be subject in the execution of this plain dictate of justice. We denounce the McKinley tariff law enacted by the Fifty-first Congress as the culminating atrocity of class legislation. We endorse the efforts made by the democrats of the present Congress to modify its most oppressive features in the direction of free, raw material and cheaper manufactured goods than enter into home consumption, and we propose its repeal as one of the beneficial results that will follow the action of the people in entrusting power to the democratic party. Since the McKinley tariff went into operation there have been ten reductions of wages of laboring men to one increase. We deny that there has been any increase of prosperity to the country since that tariff went into operation, and we point to the dullness and distress, the wage reductions and strikes in the iron trade as the best evidence that no such prosperity has resulted from the McKinley act. We call the attention of thoughtful merchants to the fact that for thirty years of restrictive taxation against importations of foreign products in exchange for our agricultural products the homes and farms of the country have become burdened with a real estate mortgage of two thousand five hundred million dollars, exclusive of all other forms of indebtedness that in one of the chief agricultural States of the west there appears a real estate mortgage debt averaging $165 per capita, and that similar conditions are shown to exist in other agricultural exporting States. We denounce a policy which foster no industry so much as it does that of the sheriff.

Sec. 4. Trade interchange on the basis of reciprocal advantage to the countries participating in a time-honored doctrine of the democratic faith, but we denounce the sham reciprocity which juggles with the people's desire for enlarged foreign markets and freer exchanges by pretending to establish trade relations for a country whose articles of export are almost exclusive agricultural while erecting a custom house barrier of prohibitive tariff taxes against the richest countries of the world when they stand ready to take our entire surplus of products and to exchange there for commodies which are necessary and are comforts of life among our own people.

Sec. 5. We recognize in trusts and monopolies, which are designed by capital to secure more than their just share of the joint product of capital and labor—a natural consequence of prohibitive taxes, which prevent the free competition, which is the life of honest trade, but we believe their worst evils can be abated by law, and we demand the right enforcement of laws made to prevent and control them, together with such further legislation in restraint of their abuses as experience may show to be necessary.

Sec. 6. The republican party, while professing a policy of reserving the public lands for small holdings by actual settlers, has given away the peoples heritage until now a few railroads and non-resident alied, individual and corporate, possess a larger area than that of all our farms between the two seas. The last democratic administration reversed the improvident and unwise policy of the republican party touching the public domain and reclaimed from corporations and syndicates, aliented and domestic and restored to the people, nearly one hundred million acres of valuable land to be sacredly held as homesteads for our citizens, and we pledge ourselves to continue this policy until every acre of land so unlawfully held shall be reclained and restored to the people.

Sec. 7. We denounce the republican ligislation known as the Sherman act of 1890, as a cowardly makeshift, fraught with possibilities of danger in the future which should make all of its supporters, as well as its author, anxious for its speedy repeal; we hold to the use of both gold and silver without discrimination against either metal or charge for mintage, but the dollar unit of coinage of both metals must be of equal intrinsic and exchangeable value, or to be adjusted by international agreement or by such safeguards of legislation as shall insure the two metals and the equal power of any dollar at all times in the market and in the payment of debts; and we demand that all paper currency shall be kept at par with gold and redeemable in such coin. We insist upon this policy as especially necessary for the protection of the farmers and laboring classes, the first and most defenceless victims of unstable money and a fluctuating currency.

Sec. 8. We recommend that the prohibitive ten per cent tax on State bank issues be repealed.

Sec. 9. Public office is a public trust. We re-affirm the declaration of the democratic national convention of 1876 for the reform of the civil service, and we call for the honest enforcement of all laws regarding the same. The nomination of a president as in the last republican convention by delegates consisting largely of his appointees holding office at his pleasure is a scandalous satire upon a free popular institutions and a startling illustration of the method by which a President may gratify his ambition. We denounce a policy under which federal office holders usurp control of party convention in the States and we pledge the democratic party to the reform of those and all other abuses which threaten individual liberty and local self-government.

PATTI is a pretty high priced warbler, if the London News be posted, when it says she is to get $4,500 a night for forty-five concerts in this country next year on her "farewell tour." On this basis we wouldn't mind making a few farewell tours ourself, remarks the Wilmington Star. Look here, brother, let us take one farewell night with you.

**Masons Celebrate.**

Some of the Durham Masons, among whom were J. Scott Burch and E. T. Rollins, went to Knap of Reeds, in Granville county, last Saturday to attend a celebration of the Masonic lodge at that place. By 9 o'clock a large crowd of Masons, many of them were visiting brethren, had gathered to confer the 3rd degree. After the degree was conferred, they formed a procession and marched to the Methodist church, where the officers were duly installed in their respective offices for the ensuing Masonic year, after which several speeches were made. Then came the splendid dinner which had been prepared and arranged by the good ladies of that neighborhood. At 3 o'clock the Masons again assembled at their lodge where they had work and several excellent short speeches. Altogether it was a most delightful and enjoyable occasion, so the gentlemen who went from this city say.

William Shelton, who killed Grant Tweed in Madison county about a week ago, was captured Saturday at Greenville, Tenn.

News has been received in Raleigh that Mr. John M. Sherwood, auditor of the Seaborad Air Line, is dangerously sick at Atlanta.