

PROSPERITY GALORE.

ALL CLASSES THRIVING AS NEVER BEFORE.

The Re-Clevelandized Democracy Has No Argument That Is Not Shattered by the Happy Conditions Now Prevailing—Signs of the Times.

Mr. Bryan and his followers are having a hard time to convince the farmers that they are worse off in 1900 with protection and sound money than they were in 1896 with the shadow of free silver impending and a free trade law in operation.

A general comparison of articles of farm consumption and farm production between the two years completely disproves the Bryan theory.

In the item of farm animals alone the farmers are worth five hundred million dollars more than they were in Democratic days. The table printed below, which is from the reports of the United States Department of Agriculture, is worth study:

TOTAL VALUE OF FARM ANIMALS.
1896.....\$1,727,926,684
1900.....2,212,753,878

The difference is apparent in every class of animals. Divided into appropriate groups, the increase is strikingly shown:

VALUE OF HORSES AND MULES.
1896.....\$603,344,643
1900.....715,686,534

VALUE OF ALL CATTLE.
1896.....\$72,883,961
1900.....1,204,298,366

VALUE OF SHEEP.
1896.....\$65,167,733
1900.....122,665,913

With all grain, animals, and other farm products higher in price, it is no wonder that the farmers of this country have little use for Bryanism.

CHEAPENING OF "CATTLE" LOANS.

The feeding of hogs and cattle with corn, or the conversion of corn into hog and cattle flesh, has developed remarkably the last three years as a feature of farming, and it is responsible for a large share of the increased consumption of corn. The individual stimulating cause has been the cheapening of money due to the sound money victory of 1896.

This has enabled farmers to make loans secured by their cattle or hogs, and by use of such funds to keep their corn for feed and for raising hogs, instead of selling it. Four years ago this cattle paper was not looked on with any favor in the east. Now from forty to fifty million dollars annually are loaned on it by eastern brokers. The abundance of money in the western banks seeking investment has forced competition in the placing of these cattle paper loans until now they are taken at three to four per cent less than formerly. Of course this both tends to increase the demand for corn and to render its price more stable; for instead of throwing corn on the market at the harvest season, the farmer can now keep it on the farm to feed to cattle and hogs all the year around. Cattle loans were difficult, if not impossible to negotiate in the democratic days of 1893-1896.

PROTECTION IN FRANCE.

The industrial development of France from the close of the Napoleonic wars to 1860, says Mr. Curtiss, is without parallel in any continental country. Under the protection which then existed the growth of manufactures was rapid and successful in every particular. In 1860, however, a commercial treaty was entered into between England and France, by which France removed all prohibitions from imports and substituted duties ranging from 20 to 30 per cent on competing manufactures. The experiment of this duty, which continued until 1882, was unsatisfactory, and the French government refused to renew it in that year, and a more vigorous protective policy was restored. In 1885 the duties on foreign products were raised, and in 1891 a thoroughly protective tariff was enacted, under which the great prosperity and industrial activity which now exist have come to that country.

THAT TAMMANY ICE TRUST.

To questions from his audiences about the Tammany ice trust, Mr. Bryan has repeatedly made this answer in the last ten days: "There are a Republican governor and legislature in New York, and what have they done to throttle the ice trust? The Republican governor of New York has not time to bother with the ice trust, for he is too busy out here telling you about it."

Governor Theodore Roosevelt of New York, months before the Tammany ice trust became notorious, sent a message to the New York legislature advising action against trusts. The legislature passed and Governor Roosevelt signed an anti-trust act. Under this law the Republican attorney general of New York is now proceeding against the ice trust. This action the Tammany stockholders are fighting at every point.

The principal stockholders of the ice trust are Richard Croker, Mr. Bryan's eastern manager; John F. Carroll, Mr. Croker's chief lieutenant; Hugh J. Grant and Thomas F. Gilroy, Tammany ex-mayors; Augustus Van Wyck, Tammany candidate for governor in 1898; Robert Van Wyck, Tammany mayor of New York; Randolph Guggenheimer, Tammany's president of the council; Sergeant Cram and Charles F. Mar-

phy, Tammany dock commissioners, etc., etc.

It is these trust beneficiaries and supporters of Mr. Bryan who are rending the heavens with their denunciations of trusts. As Governor Roosevelt well says: "Hypocrisy could be carried no further than it is by these men and their defenders." They charged the poor of New York 60 cents per 100 pounds for ice which cost them not over 15 cents per 100 pounds delivered, and with their 400 per cent trust profits are supporting Bryan's anti-trust campaign.

Mr. Bryan's zeal in defense of the ice trust may be due merely to a sense of social decency toward Mr. Croker and others whose guest he is today. Or it may be due to a lively sense of gratitude for favors received and expected. But whatever the motive may or may not be, the facts recorded above condemn him as a hypocritical demagogue before the people.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

TRADE EXPANDING.

There is, in the United States at the present time, unparalleled prosperity, in which every citizen has a right to share. If any citizen is prevented from sharing in that prosperity he is the victim of conditions which cannot be righted by the election of Bryan, strongly as he may be tempted to trust in that remedy. The American farmer is selling for 37½ cents a bushel of corn it costs him 15 cents to produce. His wheat and cotton, his beef and pork, are selling at profitable prices. HE IS RIDING IN RAILROAD TRAINS, AND AS HE LOOKS FROM THE CAR WINDOW OVER THE BOUNTIFUL HARVESTS HE IS TAKING A NEW VIEW NOT ONLY OF HIS NATIVE LAND, WHICH WAS NEVER FAIRER AND HAPPIER, BUT IS ALSO THINKING OF HIS NEW MARKETS AND NEW "POSSESSIONS" ACROSS THE SEA. The laborer is today receiving more wages than he ever received before, and in a CURRENCY THAT IS GOOD THE WORLD OVER.

The business man sees trade following the flag all around the world and new markets opening to him under national responsibilities. He realizes as a business man that THESE RESPONSIBILITIES MUST BE GRAPLED WITH AND ADJUSTED ON A BUSINESS BASIS. The only peril now threatening the United States is RUIN AND RETROGRESSION UNDER SILVER TURNING BACK OF THE WHEELS OF PROGRESS AND PROSPERITY TO THE STANDARDS OF SPAIN AND MEXICO, AND THE ABANDONMENT OF OUR POSITION AS THE GREATEST COUNTRY IN THE CIVILIZED WORLD.—Herville E. Ingalls, President of Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad Company, in September North American Review.

OUR ARMY COMPARED.

"We oppose militarism. . . . It will impose upon our free people a large standing army and unnecessary burden of taxation, and a constant menace to their liberties."—Democratic National Platform, 1900.

Our "large standing army," exclusive of the Philippine volunteers, consist of 65,000 men. In 1867, with a population only half as great, it was 54,000. This "large standing army" is relatively the smallest army in the world, as these figures show:

Country	Army	Population	Soldiers per 1000
France	500,000	35,000,000	14.05
Germany	600,000	40,000,000	11.05
Austria-Hungary	280,000	35,000,000	6.97
Russian Empire	700,000	125,000,000	6.01
Turkey	240,000	20,000,000	7.01
Great Britain	210,000	40,000,000	5.06
Italy	210,000	30,000,000	7.01
Switzerland	148,000	2,500,000	47.00
United States	65,000	100,000,000	0.86

Even Switzerland keeps 148,000 soldiers in compulsory, active military training, exclusive of the 361,000 men in the Landwehr and Landsturm (reserves). This is forty-seven soldiers in active training for every one thousand of the population. The United States has less than one soldier for every thousand. Is our republic forty-seven times as afraid of its protectors as Switzerland?

Shall we wipe out the army and leave American ministers, merchants and missionaries to be murdered without redress or appeal?

Mr. Bryan wants to cut down our little army to the vanishing point. Do you?

VALUES IN NEBRASKA.

Values have increased in Nebraska since 1896, as follows:

	Per cent.
Hogs, increase	45
Beef, increase	60
Corn, increase	15
Land, increase	20
Household goods, increase	29
Savings bank deposits, increase	35
All property, increase	75

On the other hand there has been the following reduction:

	Per cent.
Mortgages decreased	40

The Rock River conference of the Methodist church has just completed its labors at Chicago. During the past year five churches have been erected, at a total cost of about \$100,000, and \$13,800 indebtedness has been paid off. The church has had an era of prosperity like every body else.

Demoralizing.

"I always run from a braggart." "Why?" "If I talk to one a few minutes I get to telling lies myself."—Chicago Record.

Still More Counterfeiting.

The Secret Service has unearthed another band of counterfeiters and secured a quantity of bogus bills, which are cleverly executed. Things of great value are always selected for imitation, notably Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which has many imitators but no equals, for disorders like indigestion, dyspepsia and constipation.

A Matter of Holding.

"As far as politics is concerned," said the man with the high brow, "I prefer to hold aloof." "Holding aloof is all right for men that like it," said the man with the red neck, "but I'd rather hold a job."—Indianapolis Press.

Beat for the Bowels.

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Gowlligan's Caprice.

Gowlligan walked into an undertaker's the other day and asked him for the loan of a hearse. "A hearse?" exclaimed the proprietor. "What do you want with a hearse? Is there anyone dead up your way?"

"Not yet," replied Gowlligan, "and that do be the very reason Ol'm ather hoirn" the vehicle. Ol want a chance to ride in wan whole Ol'm able to axparynce the sinsation."—Richmond Dispatch.

No one holds the position which he thinks he deserves.

He who wishes to learn all his faults must become poor.

CASTORIA COUNTERFEITERS.

Their Factory Unearthed and the Manufacturers Arrested—A Warning to Imitators.

The Centaur Company of New York city, manufacturers of Castoria, recently learned that their well known preparation was being counterfeited in St. Louis, Mo., and that worthless imitations were being sold.

After a careful investigation by Chas. H. Fletcher, president of the company, it was learned that a preparation in imitation of Fletcher's goods was being prepared by the Palestine Drug Company of No. 107 South Second street, and sold by a few druggists. Warrants were sworn out for the imitators. Yesterday John Bick, president of the offending company, and Benjamin Chireaux, chemist for the concern, were arrested, but later were released on bond.

The cases will be tried before Judge Clark of the Court of Criminal Correction. The Centaur Company has determined to protect the public from worthless imitations of their goods.—St. Louis (Mo.) Republic, Sept. 30, 1900.

Wouldn't Stand Questioning.

Mrs. De Kanter—You said you were going to be detained at your office all evening, but you weren't there. Now, where were you?

Mr. De Kanter—My dear, there's no sense in your getting excited. It really is—

Mrs. De Kanter—Why didn't you answer my question?

Mr. De Kanter—My dear, I would answer your question if I was sure you wouldn't question my answer.—Philadelphia Press.

Set On.

"Limp's got it in for dat farmer in de fiel' yonder."

"What for?" "He crawled in de farmer's hay an' went to sleep."

"An' de farmer set a dog on him?" "Nope. Set a hen on him."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Clad in Rational Dress.

The wagon struck the rear wheel of the bicycle and the rider was thrown into a pile of bricks. The cyclist raised himself on one elbow, reached his arm toward a side pocket and collapsed, insensible.

A police sergeant felt in his pocket and drew out a flask labeled "J. J. Jones, 40 Duke street."

"Go to 40 Duke street," said the sergeant to a policeman, "and tell Mrs. Jones that Mr. Jones has—"

The sergeant paused and drew a hand mirror from the other pocket. "Tell Mrs. Jones that Mr. Jones has—"

A bystander who was assisting, tickled the cyclist's lips with a feather he was trying to burn under his nostrils. The cyclist smiled and murmured "Charlie!"

"Tell Mr. and Mrs. Jones that Miss Jones has met with an accident," concluded the sergeant.—Spare Moments.

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"Blifkins is going to adopt a coat of arms, and wants me to suggest a suitable motto for him. Do you think of anything appropriate?"

"How did he make his money?" "Selling some kind of mineral water."

"How would 'veni, vidi, vichy' do?"—Chicago Tribune.

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HER DRINKING SONG.

Great Demand Made Upon Mme. Schumann-Heink to Sing It Every Place She Went.

Mme. Schumann-Heink, who has returned to New York, after singing in the various musical festivals, found that the fame of her drinking song had preceded her. Whether she sang Mozart or Wagner, there was always a demand to hear the Donizetti brindisi, and until she added that number her triumph was never complete. Next to this feature, Mme. Schumann-Heink found the public in the towns outside New York interested chiefly in the number of her children. Whether it was eight or nine, or ten, or perhaps, only six little Heinks and Schumanns that she had left behind her in Dresden puzzled and absorbed the local chroniclers of her movements. The contrary is likely to have the same experience in most of the towns that she visits on her concert tour previous to the opening of the opera company's season.—New York Sun.

Of Course He Knew.

"You understand," pursued the lawyer, "what is meant by a 'preponderance of evidence?'"

"Yes, sir," replied the man whom he was examining with reference to his qualifications as a juror.

"Let me have your idea of it," if you please.

"I understand it, I tell you."

"I would like to have your definition of it."

"I know what it is. When I tell you I know what a thing is, I know it."

"What was the question I asked you?"

"If you forget your own questions, don't try to get me to remember them for you."

"I don't want to hear any more of that kind of talk," interposed the court. "Answer the question addressed to you by the counsel."

"Judge, I did. He asked me if I knew what it was, and I said I did."

"Are you sure you understand what is meant by the term 'preponderance of evidence?'"

"Of course."

"Well, let's hear your idea of it."

"It's evidence previously pondered."—Answers.

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"I've been thinkin' 'bout that myself," said the old lady, "an' I've 'bout traced it back to you."

"To me?"

"Yes. Don't you recollect when you an' Hiram had the fight in the ol' settin' room?"

"Yes."

"Didn't he knock yer head sideways with Webster's Dictionary?"

"An' didn't he finish you with 'Pilgrim's Progress' an' the 'Book of Psalms'?"

"I reckon!"

"Well, takin' all that in consideration, it's as plain as preachin' that the genius in the family, an' John come by it nat'ral!"—Atlanta Constitution.

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