

DEMOCRATIC RECORD ON TRUSTS.

Every line of legislation now on the statute books of the United States directed against trusts and unlawful combinations was placed there by the republicans.

That there is no more stringent law against them is the fault of the democratic party.

The last occasion on which the parties, as represented in congress, went on record on the trust question was on June 1, 1900.

On that day a final vote was taken on a constitutional amendment to grant congress power to "define, regulate, prohibit and dissolve trusts, monopolies and combinations, whether existing in the form of corporations or otherwise."

It requires a two-thirds vote of congress to submit a constitutional amendment to the state legislatures for ratification.

The question to submit it was lost by a vote of 154 yeas to 132 nays.

Of the yeas 149 were republicans and only five were democrats. The five were Campbell, of Montana; Napheu and Taylor, of Massachusetts; Seudder, of New York, and Sibley, of Pennsylvania.

Of the 132 nays only two were republicans, Loud and McCall.

Richardson, Lentz, Sultzer, Ruppert, Salmon and all the other professional "trust killers" voted nay. They declined to give congress the power to grapple with the trusts. The democrats indulged in spasms of virtue for two days, denouncing the trusts, and then voted to continue them.

In one of Mr. Bryan's recent speeches he gave the republican remedy as the final one he would adopt, in case he was elected and all other means failed.

In other words, Mr. Bryan admits the value of the republican idea, but wants to try other measures first. He has not said what those measures are to be.

Some trusts operate all over the country; others, like the New York ice trust, operate in a single city. The requisite power to reach each and all and bring them within the federal law was denied by a margin of 36 votes, all democratic.

Denouncing is one thing. Doing is another. Mr. Bryan's trust denunciations, in view of his party's record, promise no better than the prophecies he made four years ago, and as a prophet Mr. Bryan has not succeeded.

NEW YORK FIRE HORROR

Thirty Persons Believed to Have Been Buried in the Ruins of Brick Buildings.

TEN LARGE STRUCTURES ARE WRECKED.

Explosions in a Wholesale Drug House Caused the Disaster—Many Persons Are Missing and Scores Are Injured—Loss to Property Will Reach \$1,500,000.

New York, Oct. 30.—As the result of a small fire several successive explosions of chemicals occurred in the wholesale drug house of Tarrant & Co., at Warren and Greenwich streets, Monday and blew down a dozen buildings and badly damaged a score of others. The loss of life is not known, but from all sources of information it is gathered that there are perhaps the bodies of 30 persons in the ruins, though because of the hot debris and the slowness of moving it no body had been removed up to midnight. The disaster was one of the most terrible that has ever occurred in this city and rivals the Windsor hotel fire in its appalling results, though in loss of property it will be worse. Chief Croker, of the fire department, said that the loss is fully \$1,500,000.

Scene of Ruin.

The action of the tremendous catastrophe was more vivid and awful than the city has seen for a long time. Buildings fell in on themselves or toppled over on others, iron girders were thrown yards away, smashing through great walls, whole structures fell into the streets on piles so that the line of thoroughfare could not be marked out, huge splinters of iron, steel and wood were flung into the streets and into the buildings clean through the walls, where they buried women and men, were knuckled down and dangerously injured by timbers, glass and steel, horses were thrown down, wagons, windows, store fronts and all sorts of property for blocks in every direction were wrecked and damaged. There are 35 persons reported missing and 100 men, women and children are on the list of the injured. Chief Croker said that no firemen had perished in the fire, all his men having been accounted for.

Origin of the Fire.

Of the origin of the fire no exact information is yet to be had. The flames were first seen on the third or fourth floor of the building at the northwest corner of Warren and Greenwich streets, occupied by Tarrant & Co. It is possible that the fire resulted from imperfect insulation of electric light wires, but it is the opinion of Fire Chief Croker and Commissioner Scannell that carelessness among chemicals was the cause of the fire. Although the city regulations against the storing of chemicals are of the strictest kind, Commissioner Scannell made the specific charge that Tarrant & Co. had paid no heed to the law and had placed in storage chemicals and explosives far exceeding the legal limit.

Firemen Driven Out.

One fire company had just arrived when a terrific explosion occurred, and threw the entire engine's crew down the stairway. The firemen, realizing the danger of their position, rushed out of the building to the street. The explosion had filled the street in front with a shower of falling glass and small debris, which sent the crowds, which was already gathered on the opposite sidewalks, fleeing for safety, and caused the horses hitched to the engine to rear and try to get away.

Buildings Blown Down.

The second explosion occurred about five minutes after the first. From the accounts of witnesses, the building seemed to leap into the air, and in a moment masses of brick wall, timbers and stone were falling into the street. The force of the explosion tore away the walls of the big commission store-houses fronting on Washington street and caused them to collapse, falling all at once in a mass of timbers, boxes and barrels, from which the flames which burst out from the Tarrant building like the belching of a cannon, at once broke forth.

Across Warren street to the opposite buildings the flames leaped, setting them all afire at once, the force of the explosion demolishing windows and all wooden structures about the houses. In a moment Warren street was choked up with a mass of debris and the whole place was aflame. The great explosion was followed by half a dozen more scarcely less intense, and by a countless number of smaller ones.

Bodies Recovered.

New York, Oct. 31.—Five bodies were recovered from the ruins caused by the explosion yesterday.

Dies in Her Ninetieth Year.

New York, Nov. 1.—Mrs. Sarah Anthony Burtis is dead at Rochester in the ninetyeth year of her age, says a dispatch to the Times. She was born in Saratoga in 1810. Mrs. Burtis was one of the first active workers in the cause of woman's suffrage.

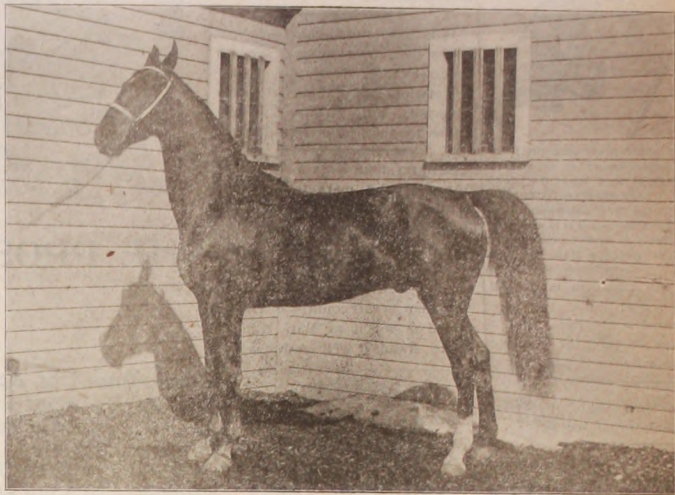
Mine Disaster.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Oct. 31.—A heavy explosion of gas occurred in No. 3 slope of No. 1 shaft of the Kingston Coal company at Edwardsville, in which five men lost their lives and six others were badly burned.

Riotous Welcome.

London, Oct. 30.—In a mad orgy of welcome to London's returning city imperial volunteers from South Africa ten persons were killed, 2000 injured, and the clothing of many torn to rags.

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GOOD TIMES IN ILLINOIS.

Tables Showing the Number of Persons Employed in Factories.

An exhibit of more vital importance and of more general interest than any other during the present campaign is the advance report of the factory inspectors on manufacturing operations in Chicago and in the state of Illinois for the year 1900. Prosperity among the masses is being made the leading issue by republican orators in these last days of the contest. People are well aware that good times are here, but the actual figures for any city or state for 1900 have not been obtainable until now.

These statistics for Chicago and the state of Illinois are arrived at by actual inspection and actual count, and are strictly accurate in detail. The number of manufacturing establishments in every industry is given, large and small, and also the number of men, women and children employed. The increase in the number of factories and in the number of people given employment over even the big year 1899 will cause general astonishment, and the comparisons with the years of the Cleveland democratic reign will prove food for reflection for voters of all parties.

Opened Factories Instead of Mills.

In the campaign of 1896 Mr. McKinley urged: "It is better to open our factories to the working people of the United States than to open our mills to the silver of the world." The policy of President McKinley and the republican party has actually reopened all the old factories, has built up new industries, and opened thousands of new manufacturing establishments, bringing about an era of prosperity never before equaled in the history of the country. While Chicago is now acknowledged to be the greatest manufacturing and distributing city in the United States, the activity there also exists in a proportionate degree all over the broad land, so that the Chicago and state statistics fairly indicate the conditions elsewhere. The great advance in wages is also general throughout the union.

Wages for skilled and unskilled labor have never before been so high as at the present day, and the tendency is still upward. The advance is not confined to the trades, but extends to the professions and to all branches of toil. Bookkeepers, accountants, clerks and all classes benefit by the good times.

Cannot Get Enough Men.

Of the total number of operatives in Chicago, as returned by the inspectors, 253,624 are men, 62,637 are women, and 10,695 are children. The inspectors say that factory foremen report trouble in securing all the men they need, and that they have been compelled to take women in instead. There are now 29,254 more men employed than in 1899. The increase in the number of women is 3,934. What is regarded as the most favorable indication is the fact that notwithstanding the great rush and the urgent demand for help, the number of children employed in the factories now shows a falling off from 1899 and previous years.

Prosperity Figures Indeed.

The statistics from the office of State Factory Inspector Arrington, in Chicago, fairly bristle with prosperity. Places in Chicago inspected in 1900, 32,783. Places inspected in 1899, 11,911. Inspected 1900 in whole state, 17,845. Whole state in 1899, 15,625. Employees in Chicago, 1900, 292,296. Employees in whole state, 1900, 449,217. Employees in whole state, 1899, 412,074. Places inspected whole state in 1899, 2,262. Increase 1900 over 1899, 35,483. Employees in whole state, 1899, 76,284. Increase 1900 over 1899, 373,073.

Factories of the Whole State.

The following table includes Chicago and the manufacturing cities throughout the whole state. The comparisons show steady immense gains since 1896. The year 1899 eclipsed 1897; 1899 was better still, and 1900 proves the banner year of all. The figures for 1893 are given, so that

democratic and republican times may well be compared:

Year.	Plants inspected.	Men employed.	Women employed.	Children employed.	Total employees.	Per cent. of 1893.
1900	32,783	292,296	75,524	13,522	449,217	311.1
1899	17,845	227,188	71,240	13,646	412,074	289.4
1898	17,845	227,188	71,240	13,646	412,074	289.4
1897	17,845	227,188	71,240	13,646	412,074	289.4
1896	17,845	227,188	71,240	13,646	412,074	289.4
1895	17,845	227,188	71,240	13,646	412,074	289.4
1894	17,845	227,188	71,240	13,646	412,074	289.4
1893	17,845	227,188	71,240	13,646	412,074	100.0

TRUE TEST OF PROSPERITY.

Convincing Comparison Between Democratic and Republican Periods at Joliet.

Mr. I. Cook Norton, of Joliet, who is in position to know what he is talking about, has prepared an official statement showing that the employees of the Illinois steel mills in that city have profited 61 per cent. in time worked and almost 100 per cent. in wages earned under the McKinley administration of the past four years, as against the record under the Cleveland democratic administration from 1892 to 1896, showing that the republican party stands for prosperity and the best interests of all the people. It should also be borne in mind that the Joliet steel plant worked more turns or shifts during the four years of democracy than any other plant of its kind in this country. Here are the actual figures for the past eight years (except 1900 turns estimated for the balance of this year), showing the number of turns worked and money earned by the employees of the Joliet steel works:

Year.	Turns worked during the above time.	Total money earned during the same period.
1893	1,400	\$3,400,250 83
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1897	2,253	\$6,652,694 74
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Showing 835 turns, or 61 per cent. more time worked, and an increase in earning capacity of \$3,252,603.96, or 95 per cent. in favor of the republican administration. But this is not all. During the last four years, under a republican administration, the working people not only had their capital increased 95 per cent., but they received fully 30 per cent. more per day for its use than they did under the democratic administration, and still Bryan's "tear-down-the-flag" party, which has always advocated free trade—which means cheap labor and little of it in this country—says that it expects to get a large share of the workingmen's votes. True prosperity comes through the steady employment of the poor man's capital, which is labor.

Yates Has Kept His Pledge.

Judge Richard Yates, republican candidate for governor, has completed the most thorough canvass of Illinois ever made by a candidate for office in this state, having spoken in nearly every county in the state twice in many of them three times. He has traveled thousands of miles, made over 800 speeches and shaken hands with 500,000 people. Judge Yates promised, when he received the nomination, to carry the republican standard into every county in the state, and he has kept his pledge. He is satisfied that the republican majority in Illinois will exceed 100,000 if republicans do their duty on election day by turning out to vote.

Aschauer Likes Deficits.

Samuel Aschauer, the democratic candidate for governor, has spent the past week campaigning in Chicago, and in a number of his speeches has said that he was glad Gov. Altgeld left an empty treasury and the state in debt. Mr. Aschauer, in fact, seems to take great pride in the Altgeld deficits, but he will find on November 6 that the people are opposed to the policy of doing business with an empty treasury.

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