Argument That Is Not Shattered by the Happy Conditions New Freenting -Blane 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 Deepartment of Agriculture, is worth study:

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i ji	TOTAL VALUE OF FAR	M ANIMALS
	1896	\$1,727,926,68
	1900	

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

VALUE	OF	HORSES	AND	MULES
1896			\$6	03,344,642
1900			7	15,686,534
VA	LUE	OF ALL	CATT	LE.
1896			\$8	72,883,961

VALUE OF SHEEP. 1896..... \$65,167,735 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 mog 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 comsumption 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 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 gov ernment 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 mescage to the New York legislature advising action against trusts. The legislature passed and Governor Roosevelt signed an anti-trust act. Under the following reduction: this law the Republican attorney gen-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. The Rock River conference of the canvass of Colorado, by Chairman Grant and Thomas F. Gilroy, Tammany Methodist church has just completed Ford of the Republican State commitex-mayors; Augustus Van Wyck, Tammany candidate for governor in 1898; Robert Valt Wyck, Tammany mayor of erected, at a total cost of about \$100,- than maintained this year. Chairm New York; Randolph Guggenheimer, 000, and \$13,800 indebtedness has been Bord expects that the state will give a Tammany's president of the council; paid off. The church has had an era Republican majority of 20,000 this 2. Sergeant Cram and Charles F. Mur- of prosperity like everybody else

supporters of Mr. Bryan who are reading the heavens with their denunciations of trusts. As Governor Roosevelt well says: "Hypocrisy could be oxyried 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 antitrust campaign.

Mr. Bryan's zeal in defense of the ice trust may be due merely to a sense of social deceacy 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

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 371/2 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 HAP-PIER, 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 RE-SPONSIBILITIES MUST BE GRAP-PLED WITH AND ADJUSTED ON BUSINESS BASIS. The only peril now threatening the United States is RUIN AND RETROGRESSION UN-DER 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,-Helville E. Ingalls, President of Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad Company, in September North American Review.

OUR ARMY COMPARED.

"We oppose militarism. . . . will impose upon our free people 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, consists 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:

	Soldiers per 1000
Country Army	population.
France	0 14.06
Germany	
Austria-Hungary 280,000	
Russian Empire700,000	
Turkey240,000	
Great Britain210,000	
Italy210,000	
Switzerland148,000	
United States 65,000	
Even Switzerland keep	g 148,000 gol-

diers 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 fortyseven 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

VALUES IN NEBRASKA. Values have increased in Nebraska since 1896, as follows:

Household goods, increase......29 Savings bank deposits, increase....35 On the other hand there has been

through all states under McKinley's ness within the five years. Profection and Prosperity.

PROSPERITY REACHES CHURCH

its labors at Chicago. During the ten indicate that the gains made

ALTGELD'S GREAT DISCOVERY.

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John P. Altweld has sende & Bross discovery. It is that he you sell more than you buy you are growing poorer. Mr. Altgold revealed his discovery last Thursday at New Haven, Conn. In a speech there he said:

This country is being drained to pay tribute to foreigners. By establishing the gold standard it takes twice as much of our products to pay that tribute. During this administration we have parted with over \$1,500,-000,000 worth of goods more than we received in return, and we have only \$137,000,000 to show for it. How long can we stand an annual loss of nearly \$500,000,000? This amount of goods goes abroad every year and disappears.

Mr. Altgeld's figures are apparently derived from the statistics of our foreign commerce. In the fiscal years 1897, 1898, 1899, and 1900, we sold to other countries goods valued at \$4,-903,685,559, and bought from other countries goods valued at \$2,927,643,-225, leaving a balance or credit in our favor of \$1,976,042,334. During the same period we exported \$371,639,493 and imported 464,563,275 in gold and silver, an excess of precious metal imports over exports of \$192,923,782.

The Altgeld theory is plain. For our \$1,976,042,334 excess of merchandisc exports we have nothing to show but our \$192,923,782 excess of precious metal imports, and so have grown poorer by the difference between these sums, which is \$1,783,118,552. Dividing this by four we have \$445,779,638, Altgeld's "annual loss of nearly \$500, 000,000," the "amount of goods" which he says "goes abroad every year and disappears."

Mr. Altgeld's neighbors in Chicago, however much as they have differed from his (Altgeld's) opinions nitherto, have considered him a man of intelligence. But his New Haven speech must force a reversal of that judgment. To show the ineffable silliness of Altgeld's "annual loss of nearly \$500,000,000" assertion we have but to take the commonest concrete individual case.

Farmer John Smith, after selling his crops, paying his bills, and setting aside enough for next year's expenses, finds that he has \$1,000 left. He might convert that \$1,000 into gold coin and bury it in his cow stable. Being a sensible man, he looks about for an investment. He may lend his \$1,000 to a neighbor on a mortgage, or he may buy a railroad, a United States, or even an English government bond. Now, Smith has "parted with \$1,000 worth of goods more than he received," and has "only a piece of paper to show for it." But is Smith poorer? Is his British bond, if he choose that investment, "tribute to foreigners?". Smith knows it is not, for whenever he cashes a coupon he knows the British taxpayer gives tribute to him.

Democratic stump speakers have emitted many lunatic assertions, but Altgeld's discovery that our favorable trade balance of \$1,783,118,552 is not gain but loss certainly caps the climax of folly. His doctrine that men or nations grow poorer whenever they sell more than they buy is the most ludicrous "argument" that this campaign has produced.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

DEMOCRATIC PROSPERITY.

(Omaha Bee, Dec. 22, 1893.) Knights of Labor assembly, No. 374, composed of uphoisterers and mattress makers, held a regular meeting last night. It developed at the meeting that about one-half of the membership is at present without anything to do and unable to find work in their line in Omaha. It has been the practice of tradesmen in this line of work to go on to Chicago when work was slack in Omaha, but their fellow workers in Chicago inform them that it is even

WORKS ARE BUSY.

worse there, so there is nothing for

them to do but do the best they can

at home.

Four years ago the Culter Hammer company of Milwaukee, Wis., laid of about one-half of their men, on account of insufficient business, and the other half were employed only six hours with six hours pay. Today, every man is working full time and receiving ten hours' pay for nine and a quarter hours' work. The company's condition is similar to that of all other electrical manufacturing con-

The electrical workers know a good thing-know how to continue prosperity by voting the Republican ticket,

BUSINESS DOUBLED.

Activity at the mines, factories and the United States—thus:

13,620,792 8,657,388 Republican increase..... 6,968,818

While the output of pig iron doubled, those manufacturing interests which And the record runs the same shape must have doubled their busi-

SATISFACTORY IN COLUMNOC.

Beturns received from a preliminary

Hosecza's Heroic Deed, Sun-DAY'S SUBJECT.

(Copyright, 1900, by Louis Klopsch.) The text is H. Kings vi., 2, 3: "Je hosheba, the daughter of King Joram, sister of Ahaziah, took Jossh, the son of Ahaziah, and stole him from among the king's sons which were slain, and they hid him, even him and his nurse in the bedchamber from Athaliah, so that he was not slain. And he was with her hid in the house of the Lord six years." Grandmothers are more lenient with

their children's children than they were with their own. At 40 years of age if discipline be necessary chastisement is used, but at 70 the grandmother, looking upon the misbehavior of the grandchild, is apologetic and disposed to substitute confectionery for whip. There is nothing more beautiful than childhood. Grandmother takes out her pocket handkerchief and wipes her spectacles and puts them on and looks down into the face of her mischievous and rebellious descendant and says, "I don't think he meant to do it. Let him off this time. I'll be responsible for his behavior in the future." My mother, with the second generation around her, a boister crew, said one day: "I suppose they ought to be disciplined, but I can't do it. Grandmothers are not fit to bring up grandchildren." But here in my text we have a grandmother of a different type. I have been at Jerusalem, where the

occurrence of the text took place, and the whole scene came vividly before me while I was going over the site of the ancient temple and climbing the towers of the king's palace. Here in the text it is old Athaliah, the royal murderess. She ought to have been honorable. Her father was a king. Her husband was a king. Her son was a king. And yet we find her plotting for the extermination of the entire royal family, including her own grandchildren. The executioners' knives are sharpened. The palace is red with the blood of princes and princeases. On all sides are shricks and hands thrown up and struggle and death groan. No mercy! Kill, kill! But while the ivory floors of the palace run with carnage and the whole land is under the shadow of a great horror a fleet-footed woman, a clergyman's wife, Jehosheba by name, stealthily approaches the imperial nursery, selses upon the grandchild that had somehow as yet escaped massmere, wraps it up tenderly but in haste, snuggles it against her, flice down the palace stairs, her heart in her throat lest she be discovered in this compassionate abduction. Get her out of the way as quick as you can, for she carries a precious burden, even a young king. With this youthful prize she presses into the room of the ancient temple, the church of olden time, unwraps the young king and puts him down, sound asleep as he is and unconscious of the peril that has been threatened, and there for six years he is secreted in that church apartment. E. O. D." And hundreds and thou-Meanwhile old Athaliah smacks her sands were slain, hoping by that mas- wings of the cherubim. Gloriou lips with satisfaction and thinks that all the royal family are dead. But the six years expire, and it is time for young Joash to come forth and take the throne and to push back into disgrace and death old Athaliah.

The Crewning of Joneh. The arrangements are all made for political revolution. The military come and take possession of the temple awaar loyalty to the boy Joanh and stand around for his defense. See the sharpened swords and the burnished shields! Everything is ready. New Jossh, half affrighted at the armed tramp of his defenders, scared at the vociferation of his admirers, is brought forth in full regalia. The scroll of authority is put in his hands, the coronet of government is put on his brow, and the people clapped and waved and huzzaed and trumpeted. "What is that?" asked Athaliah. Cromwell to dissolve a parliament: "What is that sound over in the term toome Beethoven to touch the world" ple?" And she files to see sad on Mary strings, some John Howard to her way they meet her and say, "Why pour fresh air in the lazaretto, some haven't gou heard? You thought you Florence Nightingale to bandage the had alain, all the royal family, but battle wounds, some Miss Dix Joach has come to light." Then the royal murderess, frantic with rage, grabbed her mantle and tore it to tatters and cried until she foamed at the mouth: "You have no right to crown my grandson. You have no right to take the government from my shoul-

ders. Treason, treason!" While she stood there crying that the military started for her arrest, and she took a short cut through a back door of the temple and ran through the royal stables, but the hattleaxes of the military fell on her in the barnyard. and for many a day when the horses were being unloosened from the charlot after drawing out young Joseh the flery steeds would snort and rear passing the place as they smell the place of the carnage. Connet Be Extinguished.

Well, my friends, just as

slew, 844,000 Christians. And the or not. Don't disturb his stythe of persecution has been swang Jehosheba knew right well that

termination they made of it. the time when they thought they had slain all the royal family of Je Joseh would spring up and out and take the throng of power and wield very scepter of Christian dominion.

Perpetuity of the Bible.

How many individual and organ tred attempts have been made to e terminate that Bible? Have its one mies done it? Have they exterminate ed the American Bible society? Have they exterminated the British and Foreign Bible society? Have they exterminated the thousands of Christian institutions whose only object it is to multiply copies of the Scriptures and spread them broadcast around the world? They have exterminated until instead of one or two copies of the Bible in our houses we have eight or ten, and we pile them up in the corners of our Sabbath school rooms and send great boxes of them everywhere. If they get on as well as they are now going on in the work of extermination, I do not know but that our children may live to see the millennium. Yea, if there should come a time of persecution in which all the known Bibles of the earth should be destroyed, al these lamps of life that blaze in our pulpits and in our families extinguished, in the very day that infidelity and sin should be holding jubilee over the universal extinction, there would be in some closet of a backwoods church a foolbardiness, a fanaticism. a secreted copy of the Bible, and this Jossh of eternal literature would come out and come up and take the throne, and the Athaliah of infidelity and persecution would fly out the back door of the palace and drop her miserable carcass under the hoofs of the horses of the king's stables. You can not exterminate Christianity. You Joach, what shall she do with cannot kill Joash.

The second thought I hand you from my subject is that there are opportunities in which we may save royal life. You know that profane history is replete with stories of strangled monarchs and of young princes who have been put out of the way. Here is the story of a young king saved. How Jehosheha, the clergyman's wife, must have trembled as she rushed into the imperial nursery and snatched up Jossh! How she hushed him by his cry he hinder the escape! Fly with him, Jehosheba! You holi in your arms the cause of God and good government. Fail, and be is siain. Succeed, and you turn the tide of the world's history in the right direction. It seems as if between that young king | ing the songs of the we and his assassing there is nothing but after year; there he will the frail arm of a woman. But why odor of the golden on should we spend our time in praising sacred spot he will tarry, this bravery of expedition when God saks the same thing of you and me? All around us the imperiled children of a great king. They are born of Almighty parentage and will come to a throne or a grown if permitted. But sin, the old Athaliah, goes forth to the Perhaps our parents took on the massacre. Murderous temptations are early days. They snatched un out for the assassination. Valens, the from the world and hid us beats emperor, was told that there was somebody in his realm that would and pealm books. O giorte usurp his throne and that the name of ure! We have been be the man should begin with the letters | breath of the golden our T, H, E, O, D, and the edict went forth | time, and we have seen the La from the emperor's throne, "Kill everybody whose name begins with T. H. sacre to put an end to that one usurp- closure! When my father and er. But sin is more terrific in its de- died and the property was settle nunciation. It matters not how you there was hardly anything left spell your name, you come under the they endowed us with a m knife, under its sword, under its doom, worth more than any earthly unless there be some omnipotent relief | sion because they hid us in the brought to the rescue. But, blessed be God, there is such a thing as delivering a royal soul. Who will snatch away Jossh?

Instruction for Chi dran. This afternoon in your Sabbath school class there will be a prince of God, some one may yet reign as king forever before the throne; there will he some one in your class who has a corrupt physical inheritance; there will be some one in your class who has a father and mother who do not know how to pray; there will be some one in your class who is destined to command in church or state, som soothe the crazed brain, some John Frederick Oberlin to educate the besotted, some David Brainerd to change the Indian's warwhoop to a Sabbath song, some John Wesley to marshal three-fourths of Christendom, some John Knox to make queens turn pale, some Joash to demolish idolatry and strike for the kingdom of heaven. There are sleeping in your cradles by night, there are playing in your nur- am very glad. I want the series by day, imperial souls waiting | And so, though you may he for dominion, and whichever side the | wanderers from God and cradle they get out will decide the destiny of empires. For each one of church of Jesus, it is you those children win, and holiness contend-Athaliah on the one side, Jeho- | he standing all their lives shebs on the other. But I hear people say: "What's the use of bothering children with religious instruction? all these people! Give Let them grow up and choose for where they can rest their themselves. Don't interfere with their Finsh some light from botch does the world always make of volition." Suppose some one had said liers upon their darkness. extinguishing righteousness. Super- to Jebosheba: "Don't interfers with soothing hymn hush i stition rises up and says, "I will just that young Joses. Let him grow up church of God, as put an end to pure religion." Domi- and decide whether he likes the palace go through it! tion slew 40,000 Christians, Diocletian or not; whether he wants to be king are going to

tion. You mut all care children between twelve tween four and ninof to repair a vessel when it i of the drydocks. It is too Jossh after the broken in. May God arm us a this work of anatching royal from death to coronation.

Work of Book Swelne Can you imagine may se then this soul saving? That we flushed Paul's check with that was what led Munson to ife amid Bornesian e was what sont Dr. About to person der the consuming skies of Oh was what gave courage to I the third century. When the officers came to put him to de Christ's sake, he put them to b they might rest while he himse out and in his own garden grave and then came back and "I am ready." But they were at the idea of taking the life of host. He said, "It is the will of G that I should die," and his a the margin of his own move, and beheaded him. You say it is a !! would I call it a gierious selftion, the thrill of starnal catisfact the plucking of Josep from deat rateing him to coronation. The third thought I hand to you

ing place. When Jehosheba rushes the nursery of the king and a Shall she take him to some ? the palace? No, for the office peradoes will hunt through nook and corner of that Shall she take him to the real some wealthy citizen? No, that gitive. But she has to take him where. She hears the cry of the in the streets; she hears the si the dying nobility; so she re Josep into the room of the into the house of God, and t to church, and so she sets down til the six years have p

The Best Hilling Place baptismal fonts and smid the the alter, and we have handle vials in which are the prayers of caints, and we have dwelt on And when days of temptation come upon my soul I have gone for shelter, and when assaulted of rows I have gone there for a and there I mean to live. I want, Joseh, to stay until coronation.

Christian Assertation. Ah, when you pass away-and will not be long before you do you pass away, it will be a sai to see your children in Christian an ety. You want to have them aftth the holy sacraments. You want mingling in Christian a You would like to have them the sacred precincts. When you on your dying bed and your little come to take up your last work you look into their bewildered you will want to leave them under church's benediction. I do how hard you are; that is so; I to a man of the world: and daughter are going to join church next Sunday. Have you tend to those matters mys am very wicked-but I am v they are going, and I shall that your sons and