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THE NEXT CAMPAIGN

Silver Will Be the Leading Question.

SO SAYS EX-SENATOR MARTIN

Senator Callom Thinks This Country Cannot Give Both Metals an Equal Chance.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7.—Ex-United States Senator John Martin, of Topeka, who has been for many years an interesting figure in Kansas politics, arrived in this city yesterday. Senator Martin has come out here in the interests of the Hudson Reservoir & Canal Company, of Arizona, of which he is president, and of the Central Arizona railway. The senator, who is a democrat, speaks in no uncertain way on the silver question. He said:

"There cannot be the slightest doubt of silver being the leading question in the next campaign. Can you imagine any other question of importance? The tariff is out of the way. If the republicans get control of the next administration there may be a little revision of the tariff, but nothing essential. They can't fight a campaign on the foreign policy. That is a question that could not become of importance except in time of war. Having these questions out of the way, and having no local issues that can divide the parties, there is no question left except the silver question.

"The republican party will do as it always has done, adopt a platform that can be read both ways, and nominate a man to fit it. In the democratic convention they are going to have a row. The party is now practically in regard to the silver question, just in the position it was in 1850 in regard to slavery. Two-thirds of the members of the convention or more will be composed of silver men, and it will adopt a platform in favor of the free coinage of that metal at a ratio of 16 to 1 and will nominate a man in sympathy with that platform, but not Mr. Cleveland. He has been honest and fair and consistent with all his preaching. He never was a silver man.

"In case the democrats and republicans both adopt platforms and make nominations in favor of gold, there will be some sort of independent movement—something like this Sibley movement—for silver and silver only. I believe the populists will endorse it and lay aside for the time their other causes.

"If the democratic party does not adopt a platform in favor of the free coinage of silver, it will not carry a single state in the Union. Senator Morgan, of Alabama, told me lately that on any other sort of platform the democrats would be swamped by the populists, even in that state. Senator Harris told me the same thing of Tennessee, and Cooper of Georgia and Daniel of Virginia."

Men of All Parties Join It in Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, May 7.—At a meeting held at the Coates house the first steps were taken for organizing a free silver league in this city. The organization is to be educational in its nature, and to have for its exclusive purpose the restoration of silver to its old place on a basis of 16 to 1. It will be strictly nonpartisan. At the meeting were professional men, capitalists, wholesalers, manufacturers and retailers, men widely differing politically on other questions. A committee to prepare a plan of organization was appointed. A suggestion that the organization become a member of the Bimetallic League was referred to the committee for consideration.

In the Syndicate's Hands.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—The discovery that gold is being purchased in the city of smelters by the gold syndicate in New York created quite an excitement in public circles at Washington. Officers of the treasury department are disposed to be reticent concerning the gold syndicate of New York purchasing gold bullion of western smelters at rates higher than those paid at the mints. They admit that the receipts at the mints had sensibly diminished ever since the contract for the purchase of gold bonds was awarded to the Belmont-Morgan syndicate, but it is evident that for some time past the treasury has been compelled to pursue a policy which will assist the syndicate in delivering gold in accordance with the terms of the recent bond sale contract.

Another feature of the affair lies in the fact that the production of gold in the United States has increased to such an extent as to make it an object for this foreign syndicate to corner or con-

trol the gold market, and inasmuch as the Belmont-Morgan syndicate obtained not only the privilege of purchasing these bonds, at a very low figure, but a monopoly of all bonds issued between now and next October at the same rate, it is clear that from the high price they obtain on the sale of the gold bonds abroad they can afford to pay a premium for gold bullion over and above the rates fixed at the mints. In this way the syndicate obtains practically a monopoly of the gold product of the United States, and particularly the product in Colorado, where the increase in gold production has been so large in the last year or two. The treasury seems to be entirely in the hands of the syndicate. It must have gold to maintain its reserve even if it practically cripples the purchasing operations of the mints.

Murder Not Suicide.

ASHLAND, Wis., May 7.—Martin Thrush was found fatally wounded in his house early on the morning of April 29, and up to within an hour of the funeral it was supposed to be a case of suicide. Then it was discovered that the man suspected of the murder was a member of the jury of inquest. The jury was thereupon dismissed, and the suspected man, Casper Emmett, together with Thrush's widow, was arrested.

The Thrushes came here from Michigan about eight years ago. Two years previously, while working in the lumber district, Thrush had married one "Kittie" Sweet. She is now the widow of Thrush. According to the story told by the widow to neighbors who came in after the discovery of Thrush's unconscious body in the attic, the couple spent the evening out. Shortly after midnight she heard her husband get out of bed and go to the attic. A moment later she heard a shot and a fall. Thrush died 48 hours later, without regaining consciousness. Arrangement for the funeral on Wednesday were complete when the doctors decided that they were to testify at the inquest they would want more exact information than they had secured, and the coroner ordered the funeral postponed until a post mortem could be held. When the jury reassembled, the doctors reported that what had externally appeared to be a bullet-hole was in reality a wound made by a blunt instrument, and that the skull had been fractured.

Meanwhile it had been discovered that Emmett, one of the jurors, boarded with Thrush, and during the recess Emmett had been observed talking earnestly with Mrs. Thrush, and some of the words which were caught confirmed the suspicions already aroused and the arrests followed.

Silver Convention for Iowa

DES MOINES, Ia., May 7.—Advocates of the free and unlimited coinage of silver have been working for three or four months past arranging for the holding of a state silver convention, have agreed on June 5 for the meeting. Efforts are being made to have addresses by a number of leading speakers for free silver, including Judge Caldwell, of the federal court, Senator Blackburn, of Kentucky, ex-Congressman Bryan, of Nebraska, and Mr. Sibley, of Pennsylvania.

Extending Fortifications.

COLON, May 7.—Steamship lines have been notified on behalf of the Nicaraguan government that the port of Corinto is now open.

The Nicaraguan authorities at Bluefields are hastening extensions of fortifications. It is believed this action is due to the fact that the deposed Chief Clarence, now a British pensioner of Jamaica, has asked Great Britain to restore him to authority.

All Quiet at Pocahontas.

POCAHONTAS, Va., May 7.—There is no mining today. The soldiers are having a quiet reception and mingling freely with the people. They say they came here under a misapprehension. The miners' conventions will assemble today. All men charged with violations of the peace have been discharged. All coal operations are suspended.

Governor Turney's Inauguration.

NASHVILLE, May 7.—Tomorrow at noon, Governor Turney will be inaugurated. The ceremonies will be held in hall of representatives, which has been festooned and decorated with plants and flowers for the occasion. A large attendance is expected from neighboring towns.

Ex-Pension Agent Poned.

WESTFIELD, Wis., May 8.—Ex-United States Pension Agent Lee Pond died suddenly of heart disease at 1 o'clock today. The deceased was prominent in Grand Army circles and served in the state senate.

The Well-Known Bacteriologist.

NEW YORK, May 8.—John M. Bryon, the well-known bacteriologist, died today of consumption.

STEWART'S LETTER

He Writes President Cleveland a Letter.

ON THE SUBJECT OF FINANCE

The Usual Arguments Advanced by Silver Advocates Again Pushed to the Front in This Missive.

WASHINGTON, Senator Stewart of Nevada today sent a letter to the president, of which the following is an extract:

"Your letter to Governor Stone of Mississippi is admirable. It wholly exonerates you from all suspicion of shirking your plain, constitutional duty of personal participation in the political controversies which agitate the people.

"The originality of your discovery that the South favors silver monometalism when it only contends for the coinage of silver upon terms and conditions applicable to the coinage of gold can never be questioned. You will undoubtedly explain in your next letter why the free coinage of gold and a refusal to coin silver is bimetalism, and the unrestricted coinage of both gold and silver is silver monometalism.

"Your wonder why the South does not appreciate the advantages of selling its exports for gold prices is in harmony with the profound thought and great wisdom of your Chicago letter, wherein, referring to the farmer, you said: 'Let us remind him that he must buy as well as sell; that his dreams of plenty are shadowed by the certainty that if the price of the things he has to sell is nominally enhanced, the cost of things he must buy will not remain stationary.'

"From your unselfish point of view there is no answer to this argument. The discovery you have made that the sales and purchases of the farmers and planters in a cheap gold market exactly balance each other, and that what is lost by the low price of sales is gained by the low price of purchases, solves the question and shows your full comprehension of all the principles of economic science. The fact that less than 300,000 pounds of cotton or 33,000 bushels of wheat would pay the \$50,000 annual salary President Grant received, while it now requires 1,000,000 pounds of cotton, or 83,000 bushels of wheat to pay your salary, which is the same number of dollars as that of your predecessor, shows the superiority of the 'sound money' you have established and maintained.

"Your 'wonder' at the imbecility of the farmers and planters in failing to appreciate the benefits of a cheap market, for what they sell is most reasonable and natural from your unselfish, comprehensive view of the subject. You take into consideration that a cheap market where they sell creates a cheap market for what they buy, and you realize, if they do not, the advantages they have in selling more than they buy, and thereby relieving themselves of more cheap products than they are compelled to buy.

"They are at liberty to sell enough more than they buy to obtain money to pay interest and taxes, which to them may seem a hardship, but which, on account of your superior wisdom and patriotism, you know to be a blessing which their dull comprehension fails to appreciate.

"The luxury of buying in a cheap gold market with money remaining after discharging these nominal obligations is not sufficiently prized by the discontented planters and farmers. The slight discrepancy between the amount lost in sales by low prices and gains by purchases in a cheap market ought never to be considered and is properly excluded from the wise and benevolent councils of Wall and Lombard streets, and also from the learned deliberations of the white house, where your annual salary of \$50,000 is promptly paid.

"Your declaration that the gold standard established by the republican party in 1873 is the traditional doctrine of sound money of the democratic party, ought to inspire every democratic heart with unbounded enthusiasm. You are right. There is not room enough on a gold-standard platform to accommodate the two old parties in an active campaign before the people, although the leaders of both have jointly occupied that platform for the purpose of legislation and administration for more than 20 years.

"You have achieved the proud distinction of being the first great American statesman who proclaimed to his fellow countrymen the glory and benefits of the single gold standard. You have the right to eject the republican

party from the platform of sound money, which you have rescued from the ignoble obscurity of clandestine use by timid and unworthy republican leaders, who secretly monopolized the benefactions of the gold combination until you appeared as the Moses of scattered democracy.

"The hereditary rights of the descendants of Shylock are safe in your hands. Your decree of low price and less wages for those who produce, and more gain and less sacrifice for those who absorb, will be executed by the power you command, while the trimmers and dodgers of the republican fold are confounded and paralyzed by your boldness and dash."

Has Changed Its Tactics.

CHICAGO, May 8.—A special from Indianapolis says: The populists of Indiana, acting under instructions from Chairman Taubeneck, of the national committee, are now maneuvering for a union with the free-silver men in both the old parties.

"We think we see the breaking up of the old parties," said he. "The contest next year will be between the gold men on one side and the silver men on the other. The contest will be one in which the south and west will be arrayed against the East. The battle ground will be Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and Minnesota. If the South and West stand together for free silver they will win."

"Do the populists stand ready to unite with the democratic silver party?"

"We certainly do. If the party should win it would be a victory for the populists. It is immaterial under which name we win. The free coinage of silver is the central doctrine of the populists, and we are ready to make any sort of a union if we can accomplish our object."

The populist state committee has ceased the work of organizing populist clubs throughout the state. The leaders have suggested that free-coinage clubs be organized, and that members of both the old parties be invited to become members of the clubs. The newspaper printed here as the organ of the party has undertaken to circulate silver literature among the farmers of the state.

Revolt in Ecuador.

NEW YORK, May 8.—Private advices received in New York from Ecuador state that General Elroy Alfaro, a leader in the revolution of 1875, and also a leader in the present trouble in Ecuador, has returned there from Nicaragua where he had been in exile.

The revolutionists have taken possession of the towns of Ibarra, Esmeralda, Guaranda and Latacunga. In the battle which resulted in the capture of Guaranda six were killed on both sides.

The telegraph wires between Quito, the capital of Ecuador, and Guayaquil have been cut by the revolutionists and all communication stopped.

The revolutionists are disappointed with Vice-President Seltzer, who is going to take the presidency vacated by the resignation of Cordero. Seltzer is very unpopular, and the resignation of Cordero will have no effect on the revolutionists.

Payment of The Additional Indemnity Guaranteed.

SHANGHAI, May 8.—It is stated here that ratification of the treaty of peace between China and Japan was exchanged today at Che-Foo. It is reported that Sir Robert Hart, inspector-general of Chinese customs, has guaranteed the payment of the additional indemnity demanded by Japan as the result of relinquishing her claim to the Lian-Tong peninsula in compliance with the demands of Russia France and Germany. Sir Robert Hart, however, makes his guarantee conditional on the financing of the total indemnity being left in his hands.

Position of Texas Democrats.

DALLAS, Tex., May 7.—Chairman Dudley has called a meeting of the executive committee of the democratic party of Texas at Dalles, for the 27th inst., for defining the position of the party on silver. He says the issue must now be met, and the party united for action next year, with its common enemy.

Trotters of a Suicide Sold.

PHILADELPHIA, May 8.—The trotting horses belonging to the estate of the late George Scattergood, who committed suicide recently, were sold today. El Robinson, a bay stallion, 6 years old, sired by O. Haulette, with a trial record of 2:14, was bought by George Rowe for \$6000.

Silver Club Formed.

CHICAGO, May 7.—Believers in bimetalism met here last night to form a club to counteract the work of the Honest Money League. A committee was appointed to draft a constitution for the club which will meet again Thursday night to effect permanent organization.

Ex-Governor of Massachusetts.

MANCHESTER, N. H., May 8.—Ex-Governor James H. Weston died today.

WILL FIGHT OPENLY

Advocates of Sound Money Organizing in Illinois.

BATTLE TO BE BEGUN AT ONCE

Senator George, of Mississippi, Talks of the Rapid Spread of Free-Silver Sentiment.

CHICAGO, May 9.—The executive committee of the Honest Money League has decided to come out and fight the silver men in the open. Work of organizing the wards of Chicago against free silver will be begun at once. This, members say means the first step in the first battle for the national delegation which will be elected in 1896. The work will begin in Cook county, but the agent of the league will press it till it ramifies the state.

In taking this step, the governing committee has determined to leave to the people the matter of the adoption of a financial pledge of national delegates. Members say the committee found it best to ignore the state convention, but since the delegates have been chosen, they are for delegates whose opinions on money will have some weight.

The committee of state organization of the league has issued an address to democrats of the state. It says that the aggressive measures taken by the silver men make it imperative that immediate action should be taken to let the people of the state know what would be the result of the abrogation of sound currency. The address says that the time for temporizing and compromising has passed, and that the decisive fight must at once be made against the silver men. It ends in urging the organization of an auxiliary to the honest money league in every county of the state. It is signed by A. Goodrich, John Mayo Palmer, William C. Assay, W. E. Thorn and F. S. Pogle. The members of the democratic central committee say they are not disturbed by the action of the league.

A Disclosure, Not a Growth.

CARROLLTON, Miss., May 9.—In an interview on the money question Senator George said: "The present exhibition of a sentiment in favor of free coinage is rather a disclosure than a growth. The people have never been satisfied with the act demonetizing silver in 1873. That act was a snap judgement taken against them by a parliamentary trick."

The senator then quoted the national democratic platform favoring gold and silver money of the constitution, and said:

"The language was plain and unequivocal. Nor was it understood to mean, as afterwards claimed by the gold monometalists, that we should only have free coinage except by international agreement. That such agreement is now made a condition of free coinage of silver is a discrimination against silver. The republican national conventions of 1873 and 1892 declared in equally emphatic terms for the free coinage of silver, as did the populist convention of 1892. It will thus be seen that in every way possible the American people have from 1877 to the present time declared for remonetization.

"What has happened in the last few months is not a rapid spread of free coinage sentiment, but a general and emphatic expression of disgust at the delay in giving voice and legal force to the wishes and sentiments of the mass of the people, and of resentment at attempts to stifle the voice and to fasten on the people gold monometalism.

"I think republican leaders will not declare for gold monometalism, or what the same thing, against the coinage of silver unless by international agreement. I think it is doubtful whether they will make any declaration either way in unequivocal terms.

"I believe the national democratic convention will be forced by the predominant sentiment of the party to declare squarely and unequivocally for independent free coinage by the United States without the co-operation of other nations."

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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ABSOLUTELY PURE



It Knocks At Your Door.

A true improvement always receives a welcome in the average American home, the most home-like home in the world. The coal stove, the gas, the water, the sewing machine and the clothes wringer have found an entrance everywhere. Another candidate now appears. It is

Cottolene

the new vegetable shortening and substitute for lard. Thousands have found this as great a blessing as its predecessors. It is now at your door. Will you accept its proffer of better cooking in your kitchen, better food on your table, better health in your household?



Were Betrayed by Friends.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Mar. 9.—Newcomb, alias "Bitter Creek," and Pierce, alias "Dynamite Dick," leaders of the desperate Dalton-Dooling gang, of outlaws, who were killed last week, were betrayed by friends. They were entrapped into the latter's home and cowardly murdered while they slept under their host's roof. The killing, according to the story of a neighbor, was done by the Dunns, who had been promised large rewards by the deputies, who claimed later to have made the capture of the outlaws. The latter's friends have sworn vengeance, and the Dunns are arming to protect themselves.

The Dunns were in Ingalls on the afternoon of the killing, and went home with a large amount of whisky and beer. It had been arranged to have Sallie Niles, a sweetheart of "Dynamite Dick," and the two outlaws meet at the Dunn house that night for a big time. By midnight the two outlaws were badly under the influence of liquor, and shortly afterwards went to sleep, heavily armed as usual, and without removing their clothes. While in this condition, it is asserted, the Dunns perforated them with Winchester bullets and buckshot. An examination of the bodies showed that all bullets and buckshot had gone into the bodies in such a way as to leave no other conclusion than that the men were lying down when shot. One of the Dunn brothers was brought here a few days after the capture and lodged in the federal jail but in two days was turned loose.

The Dunns are lying very low. Their house is an arsenal and they give evidence of expecting a raid on them every night, as Newcomb and Pierce had many friends in that country.

A Peculiar Case.

CHICAGO, May 9.—Officer Pat Furlong, of Woodland station, will today file a peculiar suit for damages against Inspector Hunt, of the same precinct. For over 30 years Furlong owned as fine a set of red whiskers as ever came down Archer road. Last Monday evening Inspector Hunt met him on his beat and jokingly remarked:

"Pat, you'll have to cut those whiskers if you want to stay on the police force."

Next morning Furlong appeared at roll-call clean shaven. Chief Badenoch's list of officers to be decapitated was read at all stations last night. Among others was that of Furlong. The "old copper" at first thought it a joke, but when he found it was a reality, he immediately sought out an attorney and consulted him about a suit. He says he will not name the damages, but leave it to the jury to decide how much his whiskers were worth.