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SILVER COINAGE.

A Letter From the Hon. Wm. A. Starkweather, of Milwaukee, on the Subject.

Editor COURIER-HERALD: As you kindly published in your paper of March 17th, a brief article of mine taken from the Oanby Independent of older date, avoring the free and unlimited coinage of silver, at present ratio, 16 to 1, and containing some assertions, inferences and conclusions as to the malpractice of government toward silver in the interest of goldites and speculators in silver bullion. The article was more a text than a discussion of the great question at issue. I now offer such further comments as to me seems to establish the wisdom and necessity of such coinage in the interest of the great public. Here I am pleased to say, until very recently both the old parties favored free coinage of both silver and gold at the ratio 16 to 1. No political platform of either of the old parties, county, state or national, was deemed complete or safe without the free silver plank. Why not safe? Because the people, voters, have ever held that money earned, mined, is better than money borrowed, and further, that so long as national banks are given from two to three hundred millions of

paper dollars to loan as money, and so long as the government retains three hundred and forty-six million greenback U. S. notes in circulation, supplemented for a long time by more than one hundred and fifty millions demand notes, in all more than seven hundred millions of dollars paper money, every dollar of which is by law redeemable in coin, it is a conclusive, irrefutable truth that there is not too much metal money.

If there is not too much, then why prohibit silver coinage on private account? No individual can mine silver, take it to mint and have it coined. And why? The goldites don't want it coined. They want to loan you national bank notes and take your note payable in gold. They run the machines. Their gold bullion they have coined; your silver bullion they buy for forty-five per cent of its coin value. Under the free coinage of silver the toiling miner would get one hundred cents for the bullion that now brings him forty-five cents, and the gold speculator would lose fifty-five per cent on the bullion mined by reason of this change to free coinage. Congress and the secretary of the U. S. treasury particeps criminus in this matter. You will ask, "how about Cleveland and Carlisle?" Do. Even now the government is coining perhaps 140,000,000 sil-

ver dollars on its own account, ratio 16 to 1, without protest even by the Oregonian. This great daily with its twenty thousand readers, never once says, "dishonest dollars," "fifty cent dollars" of this government coinage. This is their ox and must not be goaded. Neither will I censure, but rather endorse the action.

But why rob the silver miner of more than one half his earnings and say to him, "you shall sell to the goldite, who is all powerful to get it coined, or you must cease mining," and most of them have ceased to mine the metal for only a few of the richest silver mines can be worked without loss with bullion worth only 40 or 50 per cent of its coinage value. It costs from 40 to 60 per cent, even of the coin value of silver, to work the less valuable mines; how, then, can they be worked when silver bullion is legislated against?

But why the ratio 16 to 1? Because it is the existing ratio. Suppose we make it 12 to 1. Then the present and heavier dollar will be hoarded by speculators; will probably be later demonetized and bought at a discount, as was the 420 grain dollar with the present 412½ grain dollar. But suppose we adopt the advice of the Oregonian, or of his democratic ally already quoted, and make the ratio 32 or 35 to one; that is, put a dollar's worth of bullion in a dollar. In that case our now more than seven hundred million dollars will shrink in a day to less than half its present value as coin, and probably lead to the issue of three or four hundred million dollars worth of bonds to replace the coin so crushed out of existence, and later, at the instance of wealthy speculators, to its recavage at some new and profit making ratio.

But why unlimited coinage? I answer, so that there shall be no remnant of bullion left over to be the football of speculators and plunderers of struggling miners. This would put bullion to par with coin, weight for weight, when properly refined, would double and triple the value of our mines, double the pay of miners working their own mines, put money in circulation among the laborers, their own money, instead of borrowing it from national bankers and speculators who now make more than three fourths of all the profits of silver mining. It would add thousands of millions to the wealth of our citizens by retaining to their ownership the mines instead of forcing them by unfriendly legislation to sell their mines to foreign capitalists at depreciated prices.

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wild eyed populism." Then 'till recently the old parties have been very wild eyed. But great as is the silver issue, it is but a tithe of the money question.

WM. A. STARKWEATHER.

AMONG THE LODGES.

Interesting Events in Fraternal Circles.

On last Saturday night James Church resigned his place as financier of Falls View Lodge No. 59, A. O. U. W., and the place will be filled for the present by W. B. Wiggins. On Monday evening, May 1st, this lodge will pay a fraternal visit to Industry Lodge, in Portland. Special rates have been secured on the electric cars, and all persons are invited to join in the excursion.

Miss Pauline Kline, president of the grand lodge of Rebekahs of Oregon, made an official visit to Willamette Rebekah Degree Lodge, No. 2, last Friday evening. A social was given in honor of the occasion, and a royal welcome was accorded Miss Kline.

The grand court of the Foresters of Oregon will convene here Tuesday, May 9th. The local court are making preparations to give the visiting delegates a grand entertainment on the first evening. The grand court will be in session here two days.

Falls City Encampment No. 4, I. O. O. F., conferred the royal purple degree on 10 new candidates Tuesday night. About 30 visiting brethren were present from Portland, and a banquet was served. This was one of the notable occasions in the history of Falls City encampment.

United Artisan Assembly No. 7, gave a very successful entertainment and social at Willamette hall Saturday evening. The hall was crowded, even standing room being pretty well taken. The literary and musical program was of superior excellence, the numbers being represented by the best local talent. First, was an instrumental solo, by Miss Eno Samson; vocal solo, C. A. Miller; recitation, Wanda Reiston; solo, M. Alldredge; recitation, Mrs. S. A. Gillette; club swinging, Robert Warner; an address on Artisanship, by Hon. W. S. U'Ren; recitation, Bonita Reigton; solo, Walter Little; recitation, Jennie Rowen; solo, Frank Confer; instrumental solo, Miss Nina Caples. Refreshments were served, and Chief Officer E. H. Cooper presided.

The new lodge of Knights of Pythias, Cataract No. 76, is prospering, and holds its meetings at Redmen's hall every Wednesday night in the month, except the fifth.

Tualatin Tent, K. O. T. M., is said to have a way-up-time at their social held last Thursday night.

A delegation from Willamette Rebekah Degree Lodge made a fraternal visit to Rebekahs in Portland Saturday night.

PROBATE COURT.

Judge Ryan Makes Numerous Orders During the Week.

The will of J. W. Palmateer, deceased, was admitted to probate Saturday. The estate consists of a considerable quantity of real estate, and is given to the widow, Sarah E. Palmateer, to hold during her lifetime. She is also appointed executrix without bonds. It is provided that after the death of Sarah E. Palmateer the property is to be divided between the children, who are: Louis J. Palmateer, 46 acres; Alice E. Burlingame, 37 acres; Sadie E. Wade, 34 acres; Laurena O. Palmateer, 33 acres, and Henry J., Louis J. and F. W. Palmateer the remainder of the Palmateer donation land claim.

The last will and testament of John Higgins, deceased, dated Redland, Jan. 7, 1896, was admitted to probate Saturday. The testator gives to his wife, Sarah Ann Higgins, lots 6, 7 and 8, block K, Clackamas Heights, valued at \$500.

In the matter of the estate of Mathias Zogg, deceased, upon the application of

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Thomas Spillman, administrator, it was ordered that M. Vitch, J. Duncan and J. Strauss be appointed appraisers.

In the matter of the estate of John Higgins, deceased, letters of administration having been issued to Sarah Ann Higgins as executrix, on application it was ordered that Peter Nehren, J. C. Bates and George C. Armstrong be appointed appraisers. The probable value of the estate is \$500.

In the matter of the guardianship of William Ross Eaton, a minor, the guardian, Mrs. Julia F. Eaton, filed an affidavit that the value of the estate was only \$34, and she asked that \$7.50 of the \$10 filing fee be returned to her, which was granted.

In the matter of the estate of James King, deceased, personal property to the amount of \$60.50 was set apart for the widow and minor child. The administrator was also given authority to sell the estate's interest in the firm of King

& Bole and book accounts at private sale.

In the matter of the estate of Pauline Coe, deceased, Elmer A. Coe, administrator, having filed his final account, it was ordered that June 5 be set as the time of hearing final objections.

Notice to Bicyclists.

The bicycle tax of \$1.25 will be delinquent on May 1st, after which date there is added \$1.00 as a fine for non-payment, and the wheel will be subject to seizure by any officer of the law or bicycle tax collector, and held until said amount is paid.

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The Question of Economy
When great corporations are expending thousands of dollars in devices to save time, labor and materials there is evidence enough that this is an age of economy. We wish to put the strongest emphasis upon the economy of the Charter Oak Stove. This stove is the greatest saver of fuel, food and of woman's strength and nerves. It brings the cost of cooking down to the minimum and keeps it there. No wonder it is turning the cook stove business upside down, because it is a revelation in its way. THE CHARTER OAK IS NO EXPERIMENT—TOOK YEARS TO PERFECT IT.

Prescription Filling....

Is the one part of the drug business which I should imagine would be of interest to every customer of a drug store. Not because it is anything wonderful, this being able to compound a doctor's prescription without making an error, but the wonder of obtaining these delicate chemicals, where they came from, the change that takes place in compounding and a thousand and one things of importance to health and life in the proper handling of what at first may appear a simple prescription. For instance the mixing of Antipyrine with sweet spirits of nitre, as all pharmacists know, makes a compound which would probably cause death if given in doses as large as might be given of either one alone. For a druggist to attempt to mix turpentine, sweet oil and sulphuric acid in a bottle would result in an explosion and the ruining of his clothing if nothing worse happened.

Speaking of Antipyrine it might be of interest to the customer to know that since the patent on Antipyrine has expired it can be bought at a very material reduction from their old price of \$1.40 per ounce. But such new remedies as Heroin at \$4 per ounce, Tetraethylammonium Hydroxide at \$2, Propylamine at \$5, and Eucaine at \$2.50 have put in appearance and consequently your breath may be taken away occasionally by the high price of a prescription.

However, it has always been my aim to compound prescription at a reasonable profit and not make the price of a cheap prescription high enough to pay the extra price of an expensive one.

I have been in the prescription business pretty much all my life and each year am making an effort to serve my customers better than the year before.

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