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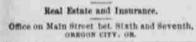
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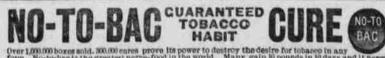
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"Possibly the United States supreme court will uphold such legislation-it John De Witt Warner in Present "Probsustained the validity of the legal ten- lems." der act-and-what? Mr. Bryan does not tell the people whom he addresses tridaily. When he gets near the subject, it is only to say something like this:

Bryan in Newark, Sept. 28.

tique basis. Methods which the comcarrying on business under the conditwo absurd propositions would impose. "Where would the hemp come from for next year's hinder twine to tie the farmers' wheat? The United States, cents would be legal tender, could not furnish the material. All prices new quoted are for gold. No matter how

put into any laboring man's pocket a single dollar that he did not earn. He of all men, therefore, has the best right to insist that there shall be no law passed that will raise the price of what he has to buy, and thus take from him any portion of what he has earned .-- Hon.

Senator Stewart's Sound Arguments.

The question never will be settled until you determine the simple question whether the laboring man is en-"When any one tries to give you an object isseen with a Mexican dollar, tell him that the Mexican dollar is not begal tender in this cour-try, and that our sliver dollar is, and under free comage will continue to be, and no one will be allowed to contract against it.-W. J. Bryan in Newark, Sent. 3. titled to a gold dollar if he earns it, or gold, and gold has won every time. I

"This not only shows the purpose of do not care how much you discuss it or the man, but also gives an intelligent how many resolutions you pass, they do man a very clear conception of Mr. not make any difference. You must Bryan's skill as a logician. If he knew come to the same conclusion that all anything at all about commerce-the other people have-that gold is recoglifeblood of which he so glibly talks of nized as the universal standard of value. interfering with-he would know that It is the measure that must be used. It the execution of his plan would cause is the measure by which your wealth an instant cessation of commercial ac- must be tested. It has been and always tivity, which would be followed by a will be the touchstone of measurement, resumption upon a restricted and an- and when you depart from that and try to figure up any other measure which mercial world discarded generations ago the world does not recognize you get would have to be brought into use for into confusion. Attempting to reconcile tions which the adoption of Mr. Bryan's to talk about compromising on any other measure of value. The world will not hard matter to keep meal above the accept it. We have the experience of price of corn." every nation that has tried it, and it has been tried in almost every civilized where silver dollars worth less than 100 nation. . . Do not let us try to deceive the American people. Do not let us try to make them believe by some hocus pocus of legislation that we can much farmers wanted twine, when it give them something of real value-we was no longer possible to make a con- can give them a measure of value that tract to pay gold or its equivalent for is better than the universal standard of hemp, they would have to go without it mankind. Do not deceive them in that until some cumbersome method of bar- regard. Let them know the facts now. tering was devised to get around the I believe that it would be highly injurilaw. Of course, in time the hemp would ous to this country to again inflate the be secured and the farmers supplied, currency. * * * I need not enlarge upon but the new way of doing business the evils of a depreciated currency. would be more costly. In the end the This country has felt them too severely ing the cost of the workingman's debta consumer pays all costs. Hence the to require that I should mention them. ing? Will not paying the farmer's debta farmers would have to submit to higher It matters not what kind of a depreciprices for binder twine, as for every-thing else they buy. And yet Mr. entails many evils. * * *

nor any government of the United States but for the strength given to our armies by foreign capitalists, and now to return their aid by a base treachery is to deserve an infamy as deep as the lowest depths of hell. But woe to those men, bull headed, without eyes, who are attempting to undermine the integrity and simplicity of the nation."

This congress would not have existed

An Unworthy Citizen.

Silverite Orator-What we want is more money.

Skeptic-Would free coinage make more money?

S. O.-Certainly. It would give us both gold and silver.

S .- But wouldn't free coinage at 16 to 1 drive gold out of circulation, in accordance with the Gresham law?

S. O.-My friend, Mr. Bryan proposes to repeal any law that is working in the interest of the goldbugs and Shylocks.

8 .- But the Gresham law is a natural law, like the law of gravitation.

S. O.-My friend, you are a pessimist and don't know that you are a citizen of the grandest country on earth-one that can "without the aid or consent of any other nation" repeal even the law of gravitation itself if it should become a tool of Wall street. Shame on you! You don't belong to this country. As I was saying-

Sam Jones Makes It Clear.

"Suppose," says the Rev. Sam Jones of Georgia, "the government owned all the gristmills in this country and congress should enact a law that all corn should be ground by the government mills free and that while corn was worth but 18 cents a bushel the government would stamp the sacks of meal so them, it is idle to talk about. It is idle that it would bring 50 cents a bushel and do this for nothing. It is a very

The Declaration of Independence

Was written by the man who said, "Just principles will lead us to disregard legal proportions altogether, to inquire into the market price of gold in the several countries with which we shall principally be connected in commerce and to take an average from them." But W. J. Bryan says it is disgraceful to talk about adjusting our currency to the currencies of the world.

Can free coinage double the price of the farmer's products without increas-Will not paying the farmer's debts ing? with half dollars cheat the creditor