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INDEPENDENT VS INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT.

Independent action is no more opposed by the gold monometallists than is international agreement on the silver coinage, as the import of their best writers' argument goes to show. What these men, or agents, want, is no further increase whatever, in the volume of world's money—and either independent or international action would be equally distasteful as this would mean larger volume of legal tender to go up against the money demand and hence would mean "cheaper money" which is the nastiest possible term for dearer product and labor. This they do not want. They favor a system which will each year measure a dollar against a larger measure of product and labor. This is their desire and to these men it is a business proposition to keep down the price of everything except money, of which they want the price increased each year. They would retire the greenbacks that further contraction may ensue. Their pretension of international agreement support last fall was to draw votes away from the cause of the independent coinage of silver. It was a base subterfuge to enthrone the gold standard and gain time for the supreme battle later on. It was a brilliant strategic move to gain time and ward off defeat long as possible. It worked like a charm and they won a resting spell. Deceit did it, but the big fight is on and there will be no surrender.

STAND SELF CONVICTED.

Notwithstanding the fact that monometallic papers keep telling us the unlimited coinage sentiment is dying, they keep up a heavier campaigning than ever before. This has much significance, because, in the first place, the latter contradicts the former in every essential. The gist of their argument is attacks on unrestricted coinage and no word is mentioned of what our conditions will be when we will have gold monometallic pure and simple. Their fight now is full of invective more ridiculous than was it in the last campaign. It represents the energy of despair segmented by hopelessness. They promised all sorts of prosperity as soon as Mr. McKinley's election was assured. We have it not as all who are not enjoying prosperity under the cover of federal office, can see. These monometallic writers are to be further hoodwinked or their power will be gone forever. Hence their savage attacks on those who believe America has ample resources and sufficient clearing house power, aided with the immense utility such action would give silver, to independently maintain the bimetallic standard at the present legal ratio. But their sophistry and cunning will avail them nothing.

STANDARD NOT ESTABLISHED.

Not infrequently we find a man who says the gold standard was established last fall beyond a certainty. They do not conceive that a cause must some times make more than one battle. If these visionaries will just go back to when the people started out on high protection, gained elections, then lost, they will discover that one campaign does not always settle an issue. If they will look back a few years ago, when Cleveland was elected, they will observe that 1896 did not establish the fact that Clevelandism was rooted in our government.

Never before last fall had unrestricted coinage of silver been made an issue, and never before was so much money spent to elect a president as was debauched by the Hanoverian managers. Forty seven per cent of our people endorsed Bryan's principles in the first real fight. Strikes are now on amongst western laboring classes. Reductions are being made in wages by

large corporations everywhere. When people realize, that, notwithstanding our wonderful natural resources, we are going to an European basis and must do so while we foster the monetary ideas, then will the fight be in earnest. It is on now and that is why our gold press is so active and jitter. It would fool the people again.

FOR A UNION MOVEMENT.

Acting under the sentiment of nearly every democrat who supported Bryan last fall, the Washington county democratic central committee has met and voted unanimously to unite with the silver elements of the county in a union movement against the gold standard. This is really the wise thing to do for all know that the gold people are consolidating everywhere and that the republican papers are using every possible influence to amalgamate the believers of gold monometallism into one solid phalanx. To the sincere patriot, the name of a party has no particular sheen or glory. He wants American principles and monetary independence involving no injustice in favor of the creditor or against the debtor. Let all people in favor of the bimetallic standard get together and work with a will. Let not partisanship bode the best good for Hannacrat principles. Do not follow a name, but keep in mind that the goldites want division in the silver forces. It is well that the people are beginning to realize that principle is dearer than party name.

ESSENCE OF EFFRONTERY.

Our gold standard papers in true essence of effrontery, and with a delightful assurance that the people of the country are fools of unqualified degree, are constantly cavilling about legislating one dollar's worth of value into fifty cents worth of silver! With assurance almost monumental they tell the people in every issue that "you can't legislate values." If these self estimated statesmen running these papers had any intuition they would at least be a trifle guarded and deny to silver any value of whatsoever nature. They ignore the fact that unlimited coinage of silver and Uncle Sam's acceptance of the silver in payment of government due, would give silver a utility that never since our nation has recovered from the war has it enjoyed. They do not stop to think that such coinage would open our manufacturing and farm products to a demand unprecedented in the world's history for the reason that inert metal could be brought here, coined into taxpaying dollars, and used in the purchase of our finished and unfinished resources. They simply remember that gold alone has value—more than ever it had before as it now has more pressure from demand made possible by legislation favorable to the yellow metal and militating against all other kinds of metal. Our nation would, under free coinage, enjoy the bulk of the world's trade,—at least all it could supply, both from field and factory, and when a man started out with gold to buy silver bullion at a discount he would suddenly find it was worth, by virtue of its greater uses, worth one sixteenth as much as the gold. It is the greater utility given gold that has given its premium. Give silver the same utility under only our own nation and it will not be a question of legislating values. It will be but a question of use and utility, strengthened by such legislation.

The Tariff bill has passed the senate and will now go to the house for concurrence. It is more than likely that it will receive some very rough treatment although all the administration influence is being brought to bear to have it concurred in as soon as possible. With some few alterations it will become a law and—then we shall see what we shall see, a continuance of this overwhelming, irrepressible, transparent prosperity so much desired by all, yet not visible.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

It occurred to many that Hon. William J. Bryan forgot something before coming to the coast and now they know that he did. He did not procure permission from H. W. Scott, of the Oregonian, before starting to tour the coast. With thousands of miners going on a strike, with labor disturbances and depression making fearful wreckage on that wave of prosperity, something should be done. Why doesn't the supreme court

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When the dies are made for silver dollars under a silver administration it will be proper to change the usual inscription "In God we trust" and make it read "No trust by G—d."—Buxton Machee. Well, well, Mr. H. W. Scott, if the silver craze is dead for God's sake let it rest. A dead thing can't hurt you or yours.

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WASHINGTON COUNTY VETERAN REUNION

In this City was a Complete Success.

OLD SOLDIERS WELL PLEASED. They Vote Hillsboro an Ideal Place for These Meetings. A Complete Roster Published.

The members of the Washington County Veteran Association closed their annual reunion last Friday evening and all are unanimous that this year's was one of the most pleasant and successful of all. The old boys enjoyed themselves thoroughly and have gone away with happy memories. The Ladies' Auxiliary helped to make the meeting a social success and they too, feel that this was the climax of all their meetings. One of the pleasant features of the affair was a visit to the reunion grounds Friday afternoon by General Walker Camp, Sons of Veterans, of this city. One hundred and fifty veterans in double file, accompanied by a about 100 of the Ladies Auxiliary, met the Sons at the gates of the grounds, opened ranks, and followed the young camp to the grand stand. Mrs. Wilkes, of Portland, President of the State Relief Corps, then welcomed the boys, to which Hon. S. B. Huston responded in a touching address, extempore,—which was full of pathos and power. John W. Gwilt of Portland, a son of a veteran, followed Mr. Huston in an address of a livelier nature which met with much applause. The camp here is not numerically strong and efforts are being made to make it a county organization. If this is successful it can be given great strength as there are at least 200 in the county over 18 years of age and eligible. Probably they can then join as an auxiliary to the Veteran Association and make these annual meetings more complete.

- Below is a roster of the veterans who attended the 1897 reunion: ILLINOIS: B K Haines, C 2 art. Hillsboro; H Challacombe, 127 inf. Cornelius; E G Tate, A 95. Hillsboro; G E Moorberry, A 150 inf. Cornelius; C West 1 17 inf. Hillsboro; N J Walker, J 1 inf. Forest Grove; A M Brown, K 5 cav. Hillsboro; George Older K 135 inf. Portland; Anson Powell F 152 inf. Hillsboro; John Neep C 9th cav. Cornelius; T Branel E 2 inf. Reedville; J C Giltner G 15 inf. Forest Grove; E C Smith A 62 inf. Forest Grove; E Smith G 4 cav. Hillsboro; S D West G 61 inf. Greenville; M C Collier, D 101 inf. Scholls; N F Smith, A 106 inf. Hillsboro; F A Haines C 2 art. Hillsboro; T J Brown F 34 inf. Vesper; D Hite, H 108 inf. Progress.

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Notice of Final Settlement. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administratrix of the estate of Henry Gardner, deceased, has filed her final account as such administratrix in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County, and that said County Court has fixed Monday, the 2nd day of August, 1897, at the Court room in Hillsboro county and state aforesaid, at the hour of 10.00 a. m. for the time and place of hearing objections to said final account, if any there be, and for the final settlement of said estate. Dated at Hillsboro, this 2nd day of June, 1897. O. M. GARDNER, Administratrix of the estate of Henry Gardner, deceased.

SUMMONS. In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County. Sarah C. Miller, Plaintiff, vs. Julius Martin Miller, Defendant.

SUMMONS. In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed herein on the 19th day of July, 1897, the same being the first day of the next regular term of said court next following the expiration of the time prescribed by law for the publication of this summons, and if you fail to answer, or for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for and demanded in her complaint, to-wit: For a decree dissolving the marriage contract now existing between yourself and the plaintiff, and that the plaintiff have the care and custody of the minor children, and for such other and further relief as to the court may appear equitable.

SUMMONS. In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed herein on the 19th day of July, 1897, the same being the first day of the next regular term of said court, and you are hereby notified should you fail to appear and answer said complaint, for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to said court for the relief demanded in said complaint, to-wit: For a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between plaintiff and defendant, and the award of the custody of the minor children, Claude C. Morand and Eva C. Morand, to said plaintiff, and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem meet and equitable. This summons is published by order of Hon. Thomas A. McBride, judge of said court, made and dated at Hillsboro, Oregon, on the 18th day of July, 1897. W. M. RIDD, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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Administrator's Sale. NOTICE is hereby given that whereas the County Court of Washington County, Oregon, did, on June 21, 1897, duly make and enter an order authorizing and directing the undersigned, administrator of the estate of John McConkey, deceased, to sell the real estate belonging to said estate as private sale. Now therefore, notice is hereby given that from and after July 2, 1897, I will proceed to sell at private sale the following described real estate belonging to said estate, to-wit: The NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of section 218 R 2 W of Will. Mer. Washington county, Oregon, containing 40 acres. Terms of Sale—One-half cash in hand balance payable in one year, deferred payment to be secured by a mortgage upon the land sold, bearing 8 per cent interest per annum. HEMPHREY PARSON, Administrator of the estate of John McConkey, deceased.