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Opposed to Gold Mono-metallism. Believes in the Bimetallic Standard. Thinks we ought to take care of our own people before annexing Hawaii. Has no use for Marcus A. Hanna.

GOLDITES It begins to dawn upon the sensibly inclined DIVISION people that the lines of battle between the gold forces and those opposing are already forming for the battle of supremacy. Those who are for that money system vilified by the British press abroad, and sneered at by the Wall street organs at home should realize that partisan prejudice must not be allowed to divide common sentiment. The man who believes in bimetalism certainly has the perspicuity to see that to win ere it is too late there must be a long pull, a strong pull and a pull altogether.

In the gold forces there are those who, for perpetuity of their own power, are offering advice to silver supporters, explaining to them that "they will be swallowed up and be without a party," as though they cared a continental about it! All these solicitous whiners want is to keep up division amongst their opponents that the gold supporters may continue to swallow them and the entire country at leisure. The Judas advisors want division for by division only can they hang to the power last fall like so much merchandise purchased by the syndicate crew. Division is their only hope, and in this, their success.

In these days of drivelling journalism when pukes who use bad language go into almost every paper in the land and prate about all such things as "anarchy" it takes more or less courage to advocate home rule. But it is to be believed that bimetalists are fully alive to the situation. Partisanship is eliminated so far as silver is concerned as last fall's vote goes to prove. All that huddle could do, all that bondholders could compass, aided by an ably organized party, helped by the federal administration, assisted by such papers as the Courier Journal whose editor was at the time hobnobbing with the aristocracy of the British empire; abetted by every syndicate at home and abroad, but gave the successful candidate a trifle over fifty percent of the popular vote! The bimetallic forces, with no organization nor funds nearly carried the day. The commoners will stand together. They have a little more sense than puddinghead presswriters assemble.

UNQUEST- Hon. John H. Mitchell was unquestionably **RIGHT**, right on the currency question when placed upon public record, but his fear of losing the office within the gift of a republican legislature forced him to a position of a straddler and to fight for that which he knew to be harmful to all of the nation's producing interests. He in an evil hour, subordinated his principles to the office scurvy and the office found him not. He held aloof from the common cause which would by his own acknowledgment have done more for his constituency than any other political remedy proposed, and held aloof at that hour when principle should have predominated. He is an object of sympathy for he has great talent, but he has conducted his own foreclosure sale and is himself to blame. The supreme test of political pathos of today is trust in goldstandardism or adherence to its opposite. No one can travel both roads without disaster. Let him come out for that which he supported in the halls of Congress—Independent bimetalism—in the winter of '96, and twenty thousand more than half the voters of Oregon will say that he is right.

WHY WE When the people of a HAVE community once become imbued with the sense of propriety in demanding that public servants shall execute their will, we shall have officers who will not consider public office a private enap, and not until. The

great trouble today existing in official circles, is the fact that people are prone to be lethargic on these matters. Representatives are sent to our legislative halls and instead of representing the people, they cater to individualistic dreams, and let the people, their employers, their principals, go to the devil.

The experience of one state is but the experience of another, in this regard, and one city meets the same regime of its neighbor. When people will stand upon their rights, and demand them of their public servants, public patrimony will cease to be squandered, while a sickly, puny, half dead sentiment but serves to increase profligacy.

WILL It shall be extremely **IT INJURE** unfortunate if the world's shortage in wheat and the diminished visible supply prior to the American harvest, giving us a wheat basis, instead of a money basis, for our grain—shall cause those ignorant of economic situations, to vote in Ohio and Iowa, this fall, for the perpetuity of the gold standard. There are, unfortunately, many who ascribe the 1897 price of wheat to the power of an administration, which but for the prevalent shortage of the world's production of bread grain, would today be condemned by these same adjudgers as having perditionally failed in fulfilling campaign pledges. Two good harvests in succession and down again we shall go to forty five cent money's measuring power being the quantitative leverage and instead of grain power. A full crop next year and there is but little doubt of the same price for wheat as that prevailing during the time when it went the lowest during the Cleveland regime.

It is in some degree insulting to expect republican victories in the elections this fall, yet the most reasonable of observers admit that the average voter of the East allows himself to be automatically voted by those who assume the administration is responsible for disaster and lack of fecundity in foreign harvests. Let us rather hope that common sense shall prevail; that if a man is prone to believe the gold standard the best that he shall vote the gold democratic ticket; and ask for a further contraction of the currency; but he realizes—if he has intuition enough to realize that this money question can not be obliterated by untoward circumstances caused by nature; to see that the administration's cuckoo claim of credit for the Almighty's edict is foolish and dishonest, then let him vote for bimetalism.

NOT A Opposition to bimetal- **QUESTION** ism does not spring **OF PARITY** from a lack in faith as to possible parity between the two metals. This is not the parity involved. As a matter of fact, opponents of bimetalism use this objection to catch the weak minded. But it is the restoring of old time parity between money and product, money and labor, money and property, that the goldite graduates do not want. They understand the course—and thoroughly—but, of course, they do not show their hand. So they keep a following by a wise jabbering about parity and "national honor." They say—some of them—that they would favor silver if parity would obtain. No they wouldn't. Because the same point of "reputation" would be involved. If parity ensued, and it would, prices would rise because of increase in the amount of money and a dollar wouldn't represent so much of anything. The agencies in control of our republican friends want the dollar to buy still more—and that is why they would fight and do fight, international bimetalism.

EDITORIAL RAMBLINGS.

It has at last developed that the man who struck Hon. Ike Patterson was Dr. Harry Lane, and a great mystery has been solved.

By the way Mr. Corbett stays in the East it is to be inferred that he is still inclined to believe that seat in the Senate is legally his.

Mr. Mitchell can yet satisfy his yearning to go to Washington. It costs but twenty-five cents, gold standard money, to go over to Vancouver.

No extra session of the Oregon legislature is needed. That extraordinary session of last winter at Salem was quite enough for the most grasping politician.

When one reads the eulogies thrust upon Mr. Geer by the Corbett press, one is inclined to believe him dead—and when one digests the multivarious charges of the other republican wing, the same

belief shows itself creeping on the wondering mind. Both may be right—he may be, and probably is politically dead.

If our Hannacritic friends are right about having a cinche on the country's brains, why in the devil do they get out and make such a fight to win out in the Eastern elections?

What moots it if Mr. J. Bull did not spank us in '76 and 1872 if in years after she can name our cabinet officers and control legislative action? What sweeter revenge can our ancient enemy desire?

Since Mr. Sherman and Mr. Salisbury agree implicitly on the money question, it is agreed that the Lord Secretary of America and Premier of England should appear to quarrel over the sealing question, just to show our American babies that we still have separate government.

Would it satisfy our arbitration cranks if we donate our fifteen cent navy to England, spike our fortress guns at our harbors' mouths, and hereafter settle all things by arbitration? Of course that most enlightened country would treat us fairly. She always did. If to do this wouldn't be sufficient we might have Salisbury appoint Wales or Wilde to act as our governor. Wales ought to have something. He "speaks our tongue," etc.

Thousands of dollars, which, necessarily, must first come out of the cuss who tears up the ground, have been spent in sending Mr. Whitelaw Reid to Victoria's "tuft hunters" jubilee. Mr. McKinley should feel an exalted satisfaction in this. The "cuss" still keeps on tearing up ground that the Reids may live, in the meantime swallowing Reid's insults and epithets because he doesn't see as Reid sees and thinks America has enough sense to handle her own monetary affairs.

ANDREE HEARD FROM.

(Buxton Machete.) Dawson City, Oct. 15.—Klondigram Special.—Prof. Andree's balloon landed here this morning at 9 o'clock and his appearance was a signal for a rousing demonstration. He sold thirteen carrier pigeons, for eating purposes, for thirteen quarts of virgin gold, with which he will sail to England, where the stuff is comparatively cheap, and purchase two more airships to bring back in this section to transport the north pole, which he yesterday found north of here, to the Nashville Exposition. The Professor states that the pole is five feet in diameter and fifty feet in length, one-half of which is frozen into the earth. He will bring up a section of the Ohio campaign to thaw the thing out.—Con McNamee.

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INGALLS ON BRYAN.

(Atchison, Kas., Speech.)

But Mr. Bryan is not to be cataloged as an uninteresting person. He was the star actor of one of the great dramas of our time. He was one of the chief figures in the most important political campaign since the close of the civil war. Against tremendous odds, without combination, experience or fortune, he was the most signal personal triumph of our history at an age when political leaders generally are in the cradle or the kindergarten. Through the clouds of the Presidency he displayed courage, endurance and versatility that have not been surpassed and he accepted defeat with dignity and composure.

So we do not need to look far to discover the causes of Bryan's popularity. People like pluck and nerve in friend or foe, and Bryan is young, poor, sandy and Western born, which is a strong prescription, even with those who reject his ideas and methods.

Real Estate Transactions.

L D Corbett to C Rumlind 37 a sec 19 t 1 s 4 w other lands \$1000.
Margaret wife to Fred Latham n 1/2 s 1/2 sec 16 t 2 n 3 w \$1500.
R Lilly to Cora Jackson 62 a sec 12 t 1 n 5 w \$350.
Melissa Will to John Dethlefs 1/2 a sec 21 t 2 n 4 w \$25.
Catherine Taylor to John Campbell a sec 33 t 2 n 1 w \$30.
G L Seward to J M Barber lots 7 and 8 block 4 Sherwood \$150.
G Davis to Eunice Walker lot 1 block 2 Gaston \$50.
Christian Ritchie to F Hugenien e 1/2 lot 10 block 10 Johns sub div \$50.
J C Beach and wife to Mary Hollenbeck port blk 3 Hbo \$500.
John Northrop and wife to A L Bechtold s 1/2 w 1/2 n 1/2 sec 21 t 2 n 3 w \$100.
Lewis Ennis to John Ennis 1/2 a sec 36 t 1 s 1 w \$15.
Mary Shepherd to L C Pannel part of block 1 S P add Forest Grove \$450.
C M Hitt and wife to E A Hyde part block 25 Forest Grove \$50.
Wm B McLeod and Wm M McLeod add near Dille (saw mill) \$3000.
P L Spencer to Chas Schoenfeldt lot Spencer's Homestead \$1.
John Bauman to W H Miller s 1/2 s 1/2 sec 21 t 1 s 1 w \$2000.
G W Hildebrand and wife to Lena Buchler 35 a sec 35 t 1 n 1 w \$100.

Quite a number of Washington county homesteaders are publishing notices to prove up.

TUALATIN RIVER DRIFTS.

The undersigned will receive sealed proposals until noon of Saturday, October 23, 1897, for clearing all drifts out of the main channel of the Tualatin river, from the mouth of Dalry Creek to a point immediately below Scholls Bridge. Specifications and terms of payment will be made known at the office of Thos. D. Humphreys, in Hillsboro, Oregon.

The undersigned reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

LOUIS ROOD, Chairman of Committee.

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between A. C. Shute and F. G. Mitchell, has been dissolved by mutual consent; A. C. Shute retiring from the business. F. G. Mitchell will continue the business, and all accounts due the firm are payable to him; he assumes all the liabilities of the firm.

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Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, ORE., October 6th 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Washington County, at Hillsboro Oregon on Nov. 22nd 1897, viz:

J. H. Kennedy
H. E. No. 8365 for the S W 1/4 of Sec 14, N 1/2 S E 1/4, N E 1/4 S W 1/4, S E 1/4 N W 1/4, of Sec 23 T 3 N R 3 W.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
John Bryna, John Lippert, Isaac H. White and Martin Hart, all of Greenville, Ore.

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Sherman Bacon.
H. E. No. 8366 for the S W 1/4 of Sec 12 T 3 N R 4 W.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Thomas G. Meacham, John Q. Johnson, Dan B. Roe and James A. Flippin, all of Acorns, Oregon.

ROBERT A. MILLER, Register.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

There will be let at the County Court room at the Court House, in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 20th day of October, 1897, at ten o'clock a. m., contracts for the following works: For building a new bridge across Gales Creek near Haines' mill and for repairs on the McLaren bridge across Gales Creek near John McLaren's residence, and for a bridge and fill at Cedar Mills, and for repairing Centerville bridge. Contracts will be let to the lowest responsible bidders. Bids to be sealed. The Commissioners' Court reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

Dated this Oct. 6, 1897.

B. P. CORNELIUS, County Judge.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County.

Frederick Verlaue Plaintiff

vs

Alfred Neep and Hattie Neep Defendants.

To Alfred Neep and Hattie Neep defendants: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled cause, on or before the first day of the next regular term of the above entitled Court, to-wit: the 22nd day of November 1897, and if you fail to answer for want thereof the plaintiff will take judgment against you for the sum of \$125.00 with interest thereon from the 9th day of November 1894, at the rate of 10 per cent per annum, for the sum of \$35.00 with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from the 15th day of May 1897, for the sum of \$90.00, attorney's fees and for his costs and disbursements, and for the foreclosure of that certain mortgage executed by you to secure the payment of said sums and recorded in Book 27 page 474 records of mortgages of said county, and for the sale of the premises therein described, to-wit: Lot three in Block six in Thoma's Addition to the town of Hillsboro, in Washington County, Oregon.

This summons is served by publication pursuant to an order of Thos. A. McBride, Judge of said Court, made on the 6th day of October, 1897.

BAGLEY & BROWN Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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