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THE INCOME TAX.

After all, that it is now history—this bolting of the Cleveland-Carlisle element, might it not be well to look at the trend of the party which boosted them into momentary power and ascertain whether or not the money question was that which drove them to the highlands of conservatism. It will be remembered that the democracy of the south and west wanted the income tax as one plank and bimetallism as another, these two to be companions to the tariff plank. The down easters to the convention, fearing trouble otherwise, admitted these planks, both of which were obnoxious to the Whitney-Hill elements. Victory gave us an income tax law, which, however, was intended never should get past the strangler of legislation and decree, that menace to our constitution, the supreme court. It was infamous that a whole people, voting for such a measure, should be thwarted by a plutocourt and herein lies one of the reasons that the gold owning element left their party. They were afraid. The people were getting too democratic-too populistic. Here is where their error of judgment becomes painfully evident. The people were not condemning law, but were rather condemning a court which gave false interpretations and decisions—a court which stood for monopoly and brazenly flaunted their not financial and yet financial purchase in the face of 385 thousand plurality! The income tax is an anti-gold standard measure and while Mr. Cleveland paid his tax "like a little man," there is now but little doubt but he knew its return was but a question of time. Let us have the income tax and see that it is enforced. It has been constitutional when Lincoln was the father and shall be so again—or we should either have a new court or build another constitution.

POPULAR RULE.

This endless debate and cavil against direct legislation is of no avail and if our people who want the people to rule will come to the point and come with logic, it will still the voice of opposition. Either a man supports direct law making—that is to say, supports a system wherein laws are made or repealed by a direct vote of the inhabitancy, or voters, or else he tacticly admits that he is against popular government. There is but one way to get popular government and that is by popular rule. If a man be afraid of such government—if he think that the masses are too ignorant, he should seek some other country where laws are made by the "elect" compulsory, and where it is granted by custom and usage, that clay is superior to clay and that those not in touch with wealth and courts are "cattle." No one more fears direct legislation than he who wants legislation helping the few at the expense of the many. That is why the rich ridicule it and get poor country dupes to ape their attacks.

GREEK MET GREEK.

The cotton manufacturers of the east have suddenly found their bearings in having been forced to an actual and acute survey of conditions and things. They bawled for high tariff and in order to get it had to work for the gold standard, a direct antithesis of measurement. Our manufacturing mercenaries wanted better prices for their goods This they were to get by law and blindly following the god of chance, they to get tariff law, voted for the very thing which would hold up the price of money and beat down the price of their product. Thus is America not only killing her enterprise at home by a contractive currency system but she is killing her foreign markets as well by her tariff policy. Remedy the money question by giving us our old constitutional money—but not free and unlimited coinage of bank rags—and we will thrive under any kind of tariff. The money protectionists, i. e. the goldites, in their greed, have simply out-Heroded the manufacturers' greed. The Jews have won.

HOW THEY WORK IT.

Government ownership of monopolies is not so strange a thing after all, if the picture is painted correctly and without the usual lurid colors used by our kind friends who realize that under government ownership the whole people would participate in a profit which now goes to a few. Monopoly by private direction has so insinuated itself into our government that our legislative decrees are bought and sold like mere merchandise. Laying aside the fact that governmental control of great enterprise would benefit the general public, its greatest blessing would be the removal of conditions which are today making mere venal tools of our representatives. Of course, no one is foolish enough to blame those interested in monopoly for fighting for their own—the surprise comes that those whom it harms should support that which is dragging us down, nationally and socially. It is the livid pictures drawn by the interested that is keeping down the sentiment for popular control of monoplies.

CAN'T FOOL THEM AGAIN.

The proposition of a bank currency is only advanced as a decoy to those republicans who are against contraction and who honestly favor a money system which shall redound to the benefit of the farm-labor element, but who followed the goldites without being in favor of the gold standard. This class of republicans is large—very large—and they now feel that they have been betrayed. They followed the republican party because they wanted to try the tariff proposition once more. They believed the tariff policy would revive times, forgetting that times had gradually gone down during the Harrison administration and so, when the republicans put out a platform with an "international" plank to catch the anti-goldites, it received a large republican vote which otherwise would have been cast for independent bimetallism. These men now see that bimetallism dependent upon European concert is hopeless and they realize they have been fooled. The real builders of the platform want to establish the ultra gold basis and to do so they must hold power a few years.

To hold this power the goldites must keep in line this "anti-gold basis," "anti-contraction," "anti-British" wing of the republican party—the gold wing alone can't give them what they want. So they must be kept into line by the assurance that "bank bills" will be issued so that contraction will not take place! Then as soon as power is attained the bill will go through and the banks will issue bills—in a horn!—except, of course, as their own demand for "legal tender" warrants it! Will the common sense republican be gulled by this proposition of the Hanna syndicate? It is very safe, at least, to assume that thousands will no longer be deluded by any measure or platform built by that element in our body politic which knows no party but to build for its own betterment and the peoples' consequent own undoing. Intelligence will certainly no longer be insulted by these syndicatists and dollarocracies.

THE CRY OF SPOILS.

The republican party in this state is in the minority. It maintains government by keeping the masses—the majority -divided. In this manner and by methods reprehensible, the goldite party hangs on to that part of the government designated as "spoils" as soon as a combination of votes is liable to wrest away the power of years! 'Spoils," they cry, "Y-e-e! spoils!" They acknowledge, then, that "spoils" is the goldite platform in Oregon? Most assuredly! Of course a union of the anti-gold forces in Oregon is distasteful to the Hannaites and why shouldn't it be? Because this union represents a majority of voters and this would take the "s-p-o-i-l-s" out of the "patriotic" republican hands! A union would necessitate the spending of money to put up sideshows and this would take the profit off their principles (principal) so much vaunted. By all means do not have union. It might beat the gold standard forces and cause some office seeking cuss of the gold standard cult to go hungry. Don't unite or the patriots might get out of office!

For years and years the Hannacrats have kept the opposition divided to insure "patriots" success. This year it will be different. The rank and file of the silver men are going to get together on a silver and direct legislation platform and efforts of republicans to "buy" will be abortive, because there will be nothing to sell. The people are in earnest.

When the Independent opposed Senator Dolph it had some very pointed articles on that gentleman's financial views. For instance it said that "Mr. Dolph's policy would double and treble the debt of every man in the state," and that "it would reduce from one-half to two-thirds the price of everything Oregon has to sell." This is but a short time back—and yet, we cannot forget that when anyone raves thusly at this hour, the Independent buckles on its armor of boiler plate, sews itself into a sack of virtue, metaphorically speaking, and proceeds to howl like a Commanche poisoned on sour beans. Great is the Independent!

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Mitchell "push" seems to be developing into a strong "pull."

Mr. John C. Young, who is a referendum man, says the referendum of his party "can't fuse him." He wants to do the referring himself.

Mr. Young, in his delicate touching upon fusion, forgot to mention his own experience at the legislature with one H. W. Corbett.

Our republican friends are worrying over union. They evidently think defeat is due in the state and the only hope is to stop that "disgraceful, dishonorable fusion." Pity 'tis, tis true,"

Our friends of the other side are opposing free and unlimited coinage of both gold and silver into legal tender, but are ardently supporting free and unlimited coinage of gold and "bank rag money."

One of the most surprising things of the age is the republican theory that our national bankers are sitting up nights worrying about the poor peoples' liability of getting dishonest dollars! What would become of the poor were it not for our national bankers?

"War with Spain" your Granny! The only thing which will participate a war with Spain will be the fear of losing the 1898 congressional elections. But as "God still reigns" Mark will depend upon Him to keep the poor finite creature in line for Mark's party.

The Oregonian should not attempt to round up the Independent. The Independent is always irresponsible and vaccilating but it can ever be depended upon at the last moment. Its vast influence is then exerted upon Col. Gault and he goes to the polls and votes the ticket straight.

The Argus takes great pride in journalistic feats and compliments Brother Craig for defeating the conspiracy o Governor Lord to seat the First National Bank of Portland in the U. S. Senate. Mr. Craig's voluminous and luminous expose of the contemplated outrage was certainly the power which defeated the consummation of the proposed "crime of 1898."

The Buxton Machete says: "After carefully weighing the advantages and disadvantages to accrue from the annexation of Hawaii, the g. o. p. club of this city last night voted to make the "islands" one of us. The vote was unanimous and was at once telegraphed to McKinley. The speech of Col. Whynot Runnie, wherein he said "Think of that colored vote, my friends, and then vote against it if you dare!" was met with applau e and won over the antagonists.

The A. P. A. are cordially notified that McKenna is on the Supreme Bench. Mr. McKenna is a Catholic republican; the A. P. A. is somehow always with the republicans; and here is now a chance for A. P. A.'s to rip McKinley up the back and charge him with being engaged in a Papal conspiracy. But our zealous friends rather incline to observe Papacy only where it is in opposition to the g. o. p.

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H. Schulmerich, P. M.

CORPORATIONS REFUSE.

Cincinnati, Jan. 24.—At the senate investigation of the Hanna bribery charges today, the manager of the Western Union telegraph company said that the dispatches which the investigation called for had mysteriously disappeared. Allen O. Myeri a d his detectives testified regarding the movements of the mysterious Boyce, who w s alleged to have bribed Otts. The cashier and officials of the Union Savings Bank refused to testify regarding cash said to have been deposited with them by Hanna or his agents, or to whom money, if any, was paid.

HOW THEY SEE US.

(London (England) Budget.)

As soon as Mr. John Bull, Esq., sees that the Home Office has seduced the American colonies to the gold basis he will probably advise one provisional government for Canada and McKinley's province. The work of Pacification is well under way and the return of Premier Hanna by the party of the Crown is evidence that the rebel party is not, after all, so very dangerous. Another campaign and they probably will be whipped into loyalty to the mother land.

It is rumored in court circles that Henri Watterson and John G. Carlisle will shortly sail from the American dependence to make the Queen a visit. The report is authenticated that Sir M. A. Hanna, the Lord-Governor, has communicated to Her Majesty his desire to have the Messrs. Carlisle and Watterson knighted for recent very valiant services done in the interests of the crown.

Teacher's Quarterly Examination.

Notice is hereby given that for the purpose of making an examination of all persons who may offer themselves as candidates for teachers of schools in this county, the county school superintendent thereof will hold a public examination at Forest Grove, beginning at one o'clock p. m. on February 9th, the second Wednesday of the month and continuing through Friday Applicants for state papers may present themselves on Thursday, February 10th. For state certificates the only requirement is experience of 22½ months, fee $4.00; state diploma 30 months' experience and examination in book keeping, physical geography and composition, fee $6; state life diploma, 45 months experience and examination in algebra, English literature, Oregon school law and general history, fee $10.

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Austin Craig
County School Superintendent of Washington county, Oregon.

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P. M. Hermens, of Centerville, was in the city today, on business.

John Gault is up from Corvallis where he is attending the Agricultural College

James A. Sewell, son of Mr. and Mrs James H Sewell, is home on a vacation from the Portland High School.

Mr. J. D. Lee, of Wisconsin for several months a guest of County Treasurer Cady, left Tuesday morning to take the overland to Los Angeles where he will visit for two or three months.

NOTICE.

City warrants up to Nov. 7, 1894, and inclusive of number 95 endorsed on Nov. 7, 1894, are now payable at the office of city treasurer, Brock's Drug store, Hillsboro, Oregon, and interest will cease on same after this date.

Dated Jan. 20, 1898.

F. G. Mitchell,
City Treasurer

Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of N. F. Smith, deceased, by the Hon. County Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County All persons having claims against said estate are hereby requested to present the same to me at the office of W. D. Hare, Hillsboro, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated this 6th day of January, 1898.

CHARLES A. SMITH
Administrator of the estate of N. F. Smith

Notice to the Public.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned farmers and residents at Mountaindale and vicinity will prosecute to the full extent of the law, for such offenses prescribed, all persons who hunt, fish, or otherwise trespass upon the farms of said undersigned.

Dated at Mountaindale, Washington Co. Ore., this 26th day of September, 1897. H. Taylor Hill, C. E. Shorey, John Smith Geo. Harms, I. I. Northrup, J. C. Crocker, M. M. Rowell, M. W. Hah . J. C. Lafferty, S. J. Rafferty, C. B. Taylor, Geo. B. Armentrout, John Ibach, A. C Wirtz, W. A. Montgomery and W. N. Haynam.

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By virtue of an execution, decree and order of sale, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, in favor of J. F. Schock and against Anton Pfanner, Samuel Hughes and A. Hinman, Assignees of Anton Pfanner and Claus Jesse for the sum of $815.00 costs, and for the further sum of $3043.50, U. S. gold coin, with interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum from the 22nd day of November, 1897 and the further sum of $100.00, with interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent per annum from the 22nd day of November, 1897, Attorneys' fees and for the costs and expenses of said sale and of said writ.

Now, therefore, by virtue and in pursuance of said judgment, decree and order of sale, I will, on Monday the 24th day of January, 1898, at the south door of the Court House, in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M., of said day, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real property, to-wit:

Commencing at the center post of Section 29, running thence west on half section line 140 rods; thence north 80 rods; thence east 140 rods to ¼ section line; thence south 80 rods to place of beginning containing 70 acres all in section 29 T. 2 N R. 3 W. of Will. Mer. Also the following Commencing at quarter section post between sections 29 and 30 running thence east on half section line 40 chains to center of section 29; thence south 40 chains to quarter section corner between sections 29 and 32; thence west on section line 10 chains to a point at south east corner of a tract of land sold by J. Bush and wife to A. Eunis, thence north westerly to place of beginning containing 100 acres all of said land being in section 29 T. 2 N. R 3 W of Will Mer., all situate in Washington County and State of Oregon; this decree is for the sale of the 170 acres herein described to satisfy the hereinbefore named sums, and for the costs and expenses of said sale.

Said property will be sold subject to redemption as per statue of Oregon.

Witness my hand this 22nd day of December, 1897.

W. D. BRADFORD.
Sheriff of Washington County, Oregon
Langley & Son, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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