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NOW A BRITISH ALLY:

Congressman Tongue, just prior to 1895, wrote a letter severely condemning the present system of finance, going so far as to state that it was a "Paradise to creditors but a hell for everybody else," or words to that effect. Mr. Tongue is now up to a vote to make it "more so." Will he vote to make it more of a Paradise and more of a hell? Of course he will. Why? Because, as the Oregonian would say, "It is broader politics!" In this letter, Mr. Tongue, with his great heart beating for the producing classes, said:

"It is easy of comprehension why England, the creditor nation of the world, should favor contraction of the world's money and a limitation of money metal. Having no silver mines of her own, and being a purchaser of both silver and food products, it is equally easy of comprehension why she should use every effort of diplomacy and legislation to diminish the value of both, but why the United States, a debtor nation, with extensive silver mines and vast stores of food products to sell, should voluntarily assist in carrying out the same policy and diminish the value of her own resources, "passeth understanding." Unfortunately for the welfare of the country it contains too many people, who, surrounded by huge blocks of well secured, interest bearing obligations, are interested in legislation that makes money dear, and everything else cheap; who not engaged in productive industries themselves, are anxious to secure the product of the toil of others at the least possible outlay."

We bring this dead history before the people of Washington county to show them what Mr. Tongue thought when wheat and hops and cotton were the same prices as at present; to show them that Mr. Tongue, having taken lessons from the bankers, is prepared to vote an English policy under which producers must labor; to show them that Mr. Tongue of 1894 was for American producers, according to his own assertion, and that in accordance with this same dietum he now stands ready to "make it a hell" for everybody, except the "creditor class." What kind of a political weathercock is Mr. Tongue, anyway? According to his own logic he is now a British ally against American interests.

"THE KING CAN DO WRONG."

The Independent, a little republican paper published in Hillsboro, Washington county, Oregon, last week quoted the Roseburg Plaindealer to effect that no one believed that Mr. Geer had given a promise of office, for \$1,000, to H. B. Plummer, of Polk county. Perhaps this little gold-god organ (it is no longer republican) does not know that Oregon has a libel and slander law and that were Plummer's statement not well supported, he would not be behind the bars. Theophilus Geer, "the man who was," has not had Plummer arrested and brought to justice for this "foul slander." Why? A republican paper first published the story; Plummer is a dyed-in-the-wool "gold" man; (so is Geer) the courts are open, in Oregon, to slandered people, and open to Governor Geer. So, then, the Independent has no license to say Geer is innocent; neither has it license to lay this scurvy story to the "demo-pops." Plummer started the story and he is ready to go to trial. Why hasn't he been arrested? Please tell us why, you of "sound money" fame, who once said the present system of finance was doubling debt and cutting prices in two.

POWDER AND DEBT.

The administration still cries for more soldiers and for more bonds. These two cancers economic go hand in hand and no nation—not even Great Britain—has ever paid out when afflicted with the disease. The great creditor class favors these two insidious assailants of the body politic, because it provides a perpetual debt, and the greater the holdings, the greater is the

power of the holders. We are gradually drifting to European condition, and before very long we shall have all those iniquities of government from which our alien population fled when seeking American shores. Is there no sober second thought—no deliberate judgment—to blight this deadly blossom while yet in the bud? Must we, perforce, because it is re-inforced by the venal press of our country, take up a dark age military system that has robbed for centuries, and is still robbing, all Europe?

A TEST OF STRENGTH.

A "civilized world" looks on at the attempts of a bully nation to bruise a small nation in South Africa, and not a protest is uttered by a power. This is an earnest of just how much power is possessed by Great Britain. Great American newspapers which a year or eighteen months ago forcibly presented the subject as one of their, now remain silent while the bruising British empire goes on with its hordes of hired fighters, to crush an infant power. But the civilized world sees that it all is not rant and hypocrisy. Beneath the shirts of the sturdy Dutchmen in the Transvaal are hearts which know no fear and English hired men find it no small task to even hold their own.

England would ask for peace terms at once were it not for the maudlin journalistic sentiment in this country which would like to suck the ear of the Prince of Wales and play casino with "Queen Vic."

ONLY A MATTER OF NEWS.

THE ARGUS gave the matter of the missing notice of appeal in the Haines-Cadwell case just as it comes before the public record. It accused no one; it accuses no one; and it doesn't care who stole it, if it were stolen. It has no interest in the case, whatsoever. It was published as a matter of news and such circumstances unpleasant though they may be to all concerned, are legitimate as news. The only sorry thing is that THE ARGUS is the only paper, out of several in the county, which has the nerve to give the news. For this, THE ARGUS gets kicks and curses from—but it is accustomed to that sort of thing, as are all true newspapers.

THE new daily at Eugene comes out with its salutatory captioned "Our Bow." That settles it. If it can run one year after using this modern start-off it will live a thousand. But more than likely the "bow-wow" of the Register will not be heard after many months.

LOVE LIBERTY NO LONGER.

The liberty loving and generous part of the alien born population should not lose sight of the fact that the great dailies of republican management have declared flatfooted that England's cause in the Transvaal is right and that every possible argument is used to belittle the sturdy Dutch of South Africa who are fighting for the very existence of their nation. This plainly shows where the so-called republican party has drifted. Liberty, in their opinion, is damnable. Surely the once great republican party has been killed by its managers.

"Cincinnatus" Geer, the honest and upright! Why didst thou not stay on thy farm and raise goats of the breed Angola instead of entering into the political patch where are grown thistles, reputations and vile odors. Timothy, Timothy were thy better crop than Plummer. But thou wouldst raise a crop of governor and thou hast reaped a harvest of shame. Dear Governor, when you next invest a thousand in paper be sure when you harvest that you at least get your seed back. Truly, he of the big mouth and bawling tongue which ever shouted of "honor" and "patriotism" has fallen into deep disrepute.

If we had direct legislation the people could vote proven demagogues out of office. Lechery could be rebuked; dishonesty burdened with punishment; sales of offices met with proper repulse and scoundrels lifted out of power. Will we get direct legislation? Of course not—too many politicians would be scorched. We will not get direct lawmaking if the politicians can have their say.

The little whistone sheets are very busy explaining that Plummer is a very, very bad dog! That is no reason why the "governer" shouldn't have known he was loaded.

It will be noticed that Mr. McKinley's message refrained from throwing any bouquets at Mr. Hanna or Brother Abner.

Recent Oregon disgraces are sufficient warning for people to keep a weather eye on that man who is always shouting from the housetops that he is a "patriot, honest, brave and sound on the "money" question."

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Dispatches from London tell us that "the queen weeps." The queen will have a squally time before her hirelings whip the Boers.

Governor Geer writes a letter to the Oregon Scout, of Union, which is practical "confession and avoidance" of the Plummer affair. He inadvertently admits that he "had the opportunity to exchange the appointment for a debt I owed, but refused." He intimates forgery. Why does he not then, prosecute, under the criminal law? Come, come!

Of course there is "prosperity." Why shouldn't there be? With forty five cent wheat our farmers are getting to be bloated bondholders! "What fools we mortals be!"

The Forest Grove Times of even date says that McNamer Brothers are reported not to be, and that they will be home Christmas.

Farm For Sale.

Fifty acre farm for sale; slightly rolling; good barn, 50x34, built two years, cost \$400; fair house, 18x28; other buildings; good brick well running water year round; good orchard; 25 acres cleared; rest easy to clear, 10 years slashed; five acres standing live fir timber; eight miles from Portland. Will sell cheap. Inquire of L. A. Long, Argus office.

Real Estate Transfers.

- Mary J Mack to Julia Montague 9 a W B Chatfield donation. 600
W N Rife to S J Barhart 5 1/2 a sec 613 5 1/2 a sec. 125
Emma G Robinson to U S Nat'l Bank 22 a in sec 24 1 1/2 a sec. 500
Anna M Howell to Ora M Truitt 1/2 a Lawrence Hall donation. 25
C W O'dell to Dilley M E church tract in Dilley. 1
Jas Bowie to C W Bar w 1/4 s w 1/4 sec 20 1 2 n 2 w. 1000
C F Wickland to Theodore Weber tracts 14 and 16 Peachvale. 355
Sarah Manning and h b to R F Rice right of way. 10
C I Crocker to J A Thwaitte 40 a sec 18 1 1/2 n 2 w. 600
Mary Donelson and h d to August Krause s e 1/4 n 1/4 s e 1/4 n e 1/4 s w 1/4 n e 1/4 sec 16 1 1/2 s 3 w. 2800

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Delta Drug Store, Hillsboro, Oregon

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, duly appointed administrator of the estate of H. L. Hendricks, deceased, and has duly qualified as such administrator. Now, therefore, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present same to me at the law office of John M. Wall, at Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, together with proper vouchers within six months from this date.