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AN ABSURD REPORT.

It is reported that the republicans of the house and senate will give no help to the Cleveland democrats in their efforts to repeal the Sherman silver purchase act of 1890, but will allow the administration to be discredited by its failure to command the support of a majority of its party for a distinctively administration measure. The report is probably without foundation. The Sherman silver purchase act was not a measure of which John Sherman or nine-tenths of the republicans in congress approved. Mr. Sherman has recently stated that it was a desperate choice between the passage of a free silver coinage act or the compromise measure of July, 1890. The free silver democracy in the senate together with a dozen free silver republicans had a clear majority, but they finally consented to the passage of the silver purchase act of 1890, because under it the government doubled its purchases of silver, and this they believed would stiffen the fallen market for silver.

The Sherman act was really Hobson's choice for the anti-free silver coinage republicans, and was accepted only as a break water against a tidal wave of free silver coinage. The Sherman act has utterly disappointed the free silver men who voted for it, for under it the price of silver has steadily fallen. John Sherman in the fifty-second congress strongly favored the repeal of the Sherman act. Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts, favors its repeal. In the last session Thomas B. Reed of Maine and Lodge of Mass. steadily supported with their voices and their votes the efforts of the honest money democrats to defeat the Bland free coinage silver bill.

There is no reasonable doubt that Mr. Reed, who will be the leader of the house republicans, will assist the Cleveland democracy to secure unconditional repeal of the Sherman act of 1890. He will do this because he knows that any other course would be utterly unpatriotic and injurious to the financial and commercial welfare of the country. All classes of business men are interested in the return of the country to a sound financial policy, and the republicans in congress could not afford to make a factious opposition to the repeal of a measure which was never enacted by the republicans because they believed it sound legislation, but as a desperate choice against free silver coinage.

The republicans in congress will undoubtedly support the unconditional repeal of the Sherman act, but they will not support its repeal burdened by any free silver riders; nor will they support any proposition to revive the Bland silver act of 1878. There is no force to the objection that the repeal of the Sherman act would contract the currency. With its repeal the country would have less silver per capita than it has to-day, but it would have more gold, as the gold which the redundant and depreciated silver has sent out of the country would return if the silver absorption should cease. Neither the Bland-Allison act of 1878, under which we issued paper against silver coined, or the Sherman act of 1890, under which we issue paper against silver bullion, can possibly add to the actual use of silver as money so long as the silver paper is actually redeemable by the terms of the law in gold. The only effect of such legislation is to pile up silver dollars or silver bullion in the government vaults, where it stands a constantly increasing threat to the markets of the world, and under shadow of whose ultimate unloading the market price of silver must continue to sink rather than stiffen.

There is no middle ground between free silver coinage and the demonetization of silver through the unconditional repeal of the Sherman act. Until we can get the commercial world to establish an international ratio of value between silver and gold it is bedlam-born finance to persist in our present policy of trying to hold silver up by the tail until the tail drops out.

United States Senator Lodge believes that the proposition for the unconditional repeal of the Sherman act would have the votes of 120 republicans in the house, but to couple it with the proposition for the repeal of the state bank tax would lose its republican support, as the Sherman law would not cost the country so much as would wildcat banking, which is recalled as a period of "locusts and wild money." In the United States senate ten or twelve free silver republicans will vote against the repeal of the Sherman act, and it remains to be seen how many of the democratic free silver majority the administration will be able to influence for repeal.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

ANARCHY UNCHAINED.

The announcement of the pardon of the Chicago anarchists, by Gov. Atgeld, on the 26th, sent a shudder over the country, and the act will bring additional odium upon the American system of administring justice. The crime for which these men were sent to prison and for which a number of others were hanged, was committed in 1886, and attracted world-wide attention at the time. In suppressing a riot growing out of a strike of laborers the police injured some of the participants. The rioters then assembled to denounce the police, and while the leaders were uttering the most extreme anarchistic doctrines the officers of the law undertook to disperse the assemblage. The anarchists resisted and a bomb was thrown into the ranks of the police, when it exploded, wounding 66, seven of whom soon afterward died from the wounds received. The persons tried for the crime were August Spies, Michael Schwab, Samuel Fielden, Albert R. Parsons, Adolph Fischer, Geo. Engle, Louis Lingg and Oscar W. Neebe. Of these, all but Neebe were found guilty and sentenced to be hanged. The jury fixed the penalty in Neebe's case at 15 years' imprisonment. Afterward the sentences of Schwab and Fielden were commuted to imprisonment for life. Lingg committed suicide in jail the day before the appointed execution. Thus, only Spies, Parsons, Fischer and Engle, were publicly executed November 11, 1887. It was brought out during the trial that all these men were members of a revolutionary organization called the "International," the object of which was to introduce anarchy.

The defense of these men was ably conducted, and the findings of the court and jury were received with satisfaction by almost all law-abiding citizens, although there was an element which made strong efforts in behalf of the accused at the time and which has not relaxed its endeavors since. The main reasons given by Gov. Atgeld for his action in pardoning these criminals are that the judge before whom they were tried was prejudiced, that the jury was "packed," and that the men were already sufficiently punished. The facts do not justify this view. The circumstances attending this incident gives a prominent color of truth to the statement that the governor bought his recent election with the promise of again turning these blood-thirsty villains loose upon society.

It is claimed that the hop acreage will be double that of last year in Oregon and the production will be at least 40,000 bales.

There will doubtless be a larger amount of fruit canned on the Pacific coast this year than ever before. The canneries are making extensive preparations for this purpose.

SUSPENDS SILVER COINAGE.

Financial circles were some what agitated the first of the week by the announcement that the government of India had suspended the coinage of silver. It is not believed that the action has been taken without express orders from the British government, which had general supervison and control over India affars. The exact meaning of this movement is not well understood, but at first glance it would appear to be a turn favorable to the project of an international coinage agreement. In this light it is viewed with pleasure by the people of the United States who are opposed to too free coinage of silver, while no doubt it will also be made an argument in favor of unlimited coinage. The effect of the movement was to run the market price of silver down to the lowest notch in the history of that product. Secretary Carlisle, upon reading the dispatches, immediately went to the White House, and for nearly two hours discussed the bearings of the action with the president. The conference was renewed at the president's suburban retreat later in the evening and was protracted far into the night.

Astronomers all over the world unite in reporting "an universal activity on the surface of the sun." Great groups of solar spots have become visible, and, according to Dr. Veeder, are affecting the weather on the earth. The telescope shows at times that the spots are great cavities or depressions in the photosphere caused by some tremendous disturbance from beneath the surface. It appears evedent, therefore that, the sun's energy is now increasing and if there be any truth in the theory that increased radiation of solar heat indicates a hot wave, there yet may be some weather this summer that will make Oregon folks sigh for a return of the gentle rain which has been here so long as to have outlived its welcome. —Ex.

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The Chinese minister, Mr. Tsui Kwo Yin, accredited also to Spain and Peru, has held his post for four years. Mr. Tsui has seemed to care more for his studies than for the frivolities of life, and has gone little into society; although he has made many sweeping concessions to our manners and customs. He is accompanied by his wife, and, contrary to all Celestail ideas and precedents, Madame Tsui has conformed, in a measure, to our foreign ways, by appearing frequently in public. She was present at a diplomatic ball given by the minister, and has received and returned a few formal visits. Madame Tsui has several ladies in her suite, and it is very apparent that these Chinese gentlewomen enjoy to the utmost their unwonted liberty. Their social gayety is much restricted, however, as they have the bandaged feet of high-caste Chinese women, but they seem to take great delight in slowly traversing the pretty walks of Dupont Circle, leaning for support on their plebeian, broad-footed maids, and calmly and comfortably sitting in a row on the curb, for an occasional rest, during their more extended expeditions. The Chinese ladies have also learned to enjoy the cooling drinks concocted at a neihboring drug-store, and in warm weather are among the most frequent patrons of the soda water fountain.—From "The Foriegn Legations at Washington," in Demorest's Family Magazine for July.

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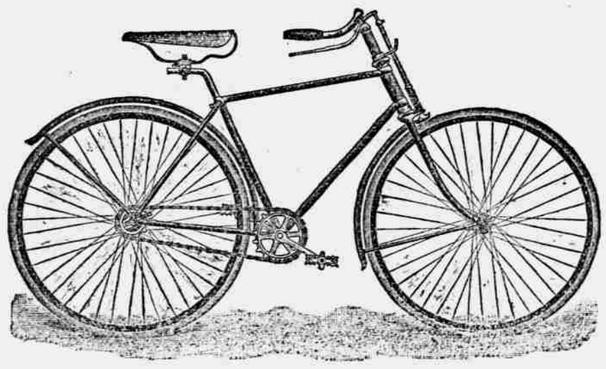

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