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Dated this 8th day of March, 1897.
JOHN W. REES,
Administrator of the estate of Prebay W. (deceased).

AMBASSADOR HAY AND "JIM BLUDSO."

When Colonel John Hay goes to the Court of St. James as an Ambassador his fame as a poet will have preceded him. Perhaps no two poems were for their author wider popularity than "Jim Bludso" and "Little Breches," "Jim Bludso" was first published in Boston in 1871, and is as follows:

Wall, no, I can't tell what he lives,
Because he don't live, you see;
Leastwise, he's got out of the habit
Of livin' like you and me.
Whar have you been for the last three year
That you haven't heard folks tell
How Jimmy Bludso passed in his checks
The night of the Prairie Belle?

He weren't no saint—them engineers
Is all pretty much alike—
One wife in Natchez under the Mill
And another one here in Pike.
A keeries man in his talk was Jim,
And an awkward hand in a row;
But he never flunked and he never lied—
I reckon he never knowed how.

And this was all the religion he had—
To treat his engine well;
Never he passed on the river;
To mind the pilot's bell;
And if ever the Prairie Belle took fire,
A thousand times he swore
He'd hold her nuzzle again the bank
Till the last soul got ashore.

All boats has their day on the Missisip,
And her day come at last;
The Monaster was a better boat,
But the Belle she wouldn't be passed.
And so she came tearing along that night—
The best craft on the line—
With a nigger sput on her safety valve
And her furnace crammed, rosin pine.

The fire burst out as she cleared the bar,
And burnt a hole in the night;
And quick as a flash she turned and made
For the river bank on the right.
There was rumm' and cursin', but Jim yelled out:
"Overs all the infernal fear:
'Till the last galoot's ashore!"

Through the hot, black breath of the
Curtain hole in the night,
Jim Bludso's voice was heard,
And all had trust in his cunningness.
And knowed he'd keep his word,
And, sure's you're born, they all got off,
Afore the smokestack fell,
And Bludso's ghost was by alone
In the smoke of the Prairie Belle.

He weren't no saint, but at Judgment
I'd run my chance with him;
'Till the last galoot's ashore!
That wouldn't shock hands with him,
He seen his duty, a dead-sure 'ting,
And went for it, that and then,
And Christ ain't a-going to be too hard
On a man that died for men.

A VANISHING DREAM.

The Best Money Has Increasing
Claims as Man's Eyes Open.

[Louisville Courier-Journal.]

The progress of Japan toward the adoption of the gold standard gave another shock to the silver market last week. The bill which provides for the minting of 5 and 10-yen gold coins has passed the lower house of parliament, and it is practically only a question of a short time until the Land of the Rising Sun shall have a currency system on par, or nearly so, with the enlightened nations of the world. The example of Austria, Russia and Chile is re-enforced in a very powerful quarter. Like them, Japan recognizes the impossibility of retaining silver to its old value; it succumbs to the inevitable, and is equipping its conduct in conformity with the exigencies of the times.

It is an instructive circumstance, but one which the silverites have ignored, that no backward step has ever been taken in the progress of the gold standard. Bimetallist countries have invariably made efforts to check the depreciation of silver by legislation, and as invariably they have failed and have had to seek the security of the gold standard. Determined experiments of this sort were undertaken by the Latin Union and the United States. The Latin Union entered upon the task with what seemed almost a certainty of success. For up to that time France, one of the greatest commercial nations of the world, had managed to keep open its mints to both metals, though the wisdom of legislators and financiers had been taxed to the utmost to regulate the constantly shifting relative values. Practically the whole western hemisphere was coining silver on the equal terms with gold for which populists are now contending. All that legislation could do was done, but no statute that man could frame ever succeeded in controlling the higher law of supply and demand, and the Latin Union at last fell of its own weight. The United States, with enormous resources and with popular prejudice in favor of silver, made a gigantic struggle, with the disastrous results under which the country is now laboring.

This is the plain lesson of history. In recognition of it, not only Japan and Russia and Chile, but even a Central American state and the United States of Colombia and San Domingo, have either adopted the gold standard or else are trying to do so. Mexico remains a conspicuous exception to the rule, though Mexico is making great progress, and the views of the strongest men of that country are said now to favor a change to gold.

It is plain that mankind is disposed to go forward and not to turn back.

In the senate the other day, Chandler presented a memorial from Governor W. F. Lord and the secretary of state of Oregon, detailing the circumstances of this recent failure of the legislature of that state to organize and elect a senator. The document stated that as a result of this failure, no session of the Oregon legislature had been held, since February, 1895. The purpose of the memorial was to establish the right of the governor to appoint a senator. The memorial, like Addick's petition, was referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

It is reported from Camaguey, Cuba, that Salvador Cisneros, president of the Cuban republic, is dead; that Vice-President Bartolomeo Maso succeeds him as president, and that Dr. Canot, ex-pro- fessor of the Havana university, will be appointed vice-president.

TARIFF AND RECIPROCITY.

The New Bill, as Compared to the McKinley Law of 1890.

[Philadelphia Press.]

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