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Ohronicle and Examiner Chronicle and Tribune. SATURDAY - NUVEMBER 13, 1897 THE COST OF PRODUCTION. There are endless quantities of
silver-bearing ores in the world. There is no reason to suppose that science has exhausted the possibilisilver can be produced by certain mines at a cost of twenty-five cents or less an ounce. The abundance
of silver and the chenpness of its of gilver and the chenpness of its
production make it more and more unlikely that anything like the antiquated ratio of 16 to 1 can be re--Oregonian.
It the cost of production fixes the ralue, it might be claimed that "certain mines in Alaska can produc gold at one llollar per ounce, or eve cost of the production times the ratio should be 4 to 1 . Up in Bat county gold can be produced in places even che broduced in some silver mines are elosed down, Many count of the chespness of , silve only those that can produce sit of less than fifty cents per aunce be ing able to run. Cut the price of gold o $\% 8$ an ounce, and the productro would fall off at least one hat
Philadelphia has always been
classed as a slow eity, but when comes to an organized gang of boodlers and public planderers, it need not stand back for New York or Tammany tiger. Recently the city council lensed the gas works owned 000 , to a company organized for the purpose. The lease is for thirty years, and while the council was discussing the proposition. a second erty on the terms offered, and to pay beside to the city $\$ 10,000,000$ therefor, and yet the lease was let to the robbed of $\$ 10,000,000$ and the interest thereon for thirty years,
If the gold stondard is right, then Cleveland was right in demanding the withdrawal of the greenback from eirculation. There can be no question as to that. The promise to pay nd a donge govinment is a a danger at ail times. The gold by a few rich speculators through its manipulation, and, as Cleveland pointed out, they car be worked in a circle indefinitely. A few shrew speculators could force the govreason it is not done is through fea that another raid on the treasury
would cause a change of sentiment and bring about the demand to pay The agitation either gold or silve The agitation of the silver questio has accomplished this much at leas
The sound money Demoerats, so of the are disgrantled at the actio called a special session of congres for the purrose of passing such laws as would put the country solidly gold basis. They do not like the St. Lonis platform, and are disap pointed becanse they read betwee the lines what was not there. They as Cleveland efred, asserting that Cleveland, who was elected on tariff reform issue, convened congress in extra session not to reform the ctause of the Shermian act, and that President McKinley, instead of con vening congress to act upon the fin ancial question, ealled it together change the tariff laws. The talling of of Repablican majorities in the
 the presidential election, it is clamed
is cansed by the sound money Democrats returning to their first love, for the renson that they were disappointed by the action of the presi-
dent, and see no prospect of any financisl legislation. It is said an attempt will be made 0 make two states out of New York,
the new state to be known as Manhe new state to be known as Man
hatan. The new state would take ifteen of the fifty-nine counties, and would be the second state in population, while the present state would
the wate become fifth. In order to do this the consent of the people of New rork would first have to be ohtained congress. This last could never be gained. The people of the West will not consent to an increase in the enatorial representation of the Eas Besides this, there is a state prid that would prevent the citizens of the state colsenting to division. Such any lime, with the consent of its people, three states might le formed
yet, though this wonld give the soul lour additional votes in the senate. State pride prevents the division The opinion is general that we have onough small states (in population) with Rtode Island, Deleware, Ne-
vada, Wyoming, Utah, Oregon, Monana, ete., and it is not probable an of the present states will ever be reduced in earea:

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