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JUMPING AT CONCLUSIONS.

The silver men have been accused of jumping at conclusions, particularly in comparing the prices of wheat, cotton, etc., with that of silver as being in direct sympathy, so far as the upward or downward tendencies of prices are concerned. Is this true?

The Telegram, which is the sponsor of all that is good and true in the ranks of the gold monometallists, says it is not. This is overwhelming evidence, indeed, yet it is worth looking into. Mayhap the Telegram is doing the jumping.

It is averred that though the price of wheat has advanced several cents per bushel during the past ten days, silver has not responded to any great degree. On May 20 wheat was worth 5s 8d per cental in Liverpool; on May 29 the same grade of wheat, California No. 1, was worth 5s 10d, which is an advance in the world's market of 4 cents per cental, or 2 4-10 cents per bushel. In Chicago, on May 20, wheat was quoted, top figures, at 71 1/2 cents per bushel; on May 29, the same grade of wheat brought 80 1/2 cents per bushel. It will thus be seen that the advance in the price of wheat in America is purely local, not supported at all by the foreign markets. Liverpool sets the figure that the world can afford to pay for wheat, and unless that price advances, there can be no good reason assigned why America can sustain the present prices. At present it is merely a gambling proposition. If the Liverpool markets advance within a few days, then our present prices can be sustained, and silver will advance in price to meet it. During the rapid rise of the price of wheat in Liverpool, since last fall and winter when our poor farmers were compelled to sell at prices ranging from 18 to 25 cents per bushel, silver has continued to advance. This cannot be denied, and if it is a coincidence, why is it that there has not been a break in the line of "coincidences" since silver was demonetized in 1873?

The reason why silver must advance with the price of wheat is not difficult to understand. Down in India and Argentina where wheat raising is carried on extensively, and whose product comes in competition with that of the American farmer, silver buys as much as it ever did. If the price of wheat advances in Liverpool, it means an advance in the price of silver consols, bar silver or of exchange, for the measure of value of our competitors is silver which, as we said before, buys about the same amount of wheat year in and year out. If the value of wheat goes up, measured in gold, silver must necessarily advance too, or also vice versa, also measured in gold. The advance of silver and wheat makes little difference to India or Argentina, so far as the home transactions are concerned, but to those countries that have a gold standard, which, compared with those things used to buy money, is constantly fluctuating on the upward grade, it makes a deal of difference.

Who is doing the jumping, anyhow?

The gold bugs say why doesn't corn follow this law that you silver men have cut out for wheat? Corn is strictly a local product, indigenous to the United States, and produced successfully only in a few states. The production of corn has not increased anything like keeping with the population, and does not have to meet competition of any other country. Under these conditions, it could not fall in price, even measured in gold, but if silver had not been demonetized and the purchasing power of gold enhanced, what is now in the vaults of a few would have been in the pockets of the many. Corn would now be the most profitable

crop in existence, measured in the money-unit of 1873.

Independent bimetalism on the part of the United States would create a greater demand for silver as a money metal. This demand would increase its price, or in other words lessen the work of gold, and not being so much in demand as a money metal would lose its unearned purchasing power. This country is a silver producing nation and a part of its supply is in demand by foreign countries for subsidiary coinage purposes and for uses in the arts. Give it the old place at home, its desirability becomes greater, and instead of this nation becoming any "dumping ground" for foreign silver, there would actually be a scramble for the amount of silver needed abroad, none of which could be bought in the United States unless the full value was paid. With the rise in silver, the unearned purchasing power of gold would disappear like melting snow, and wheat, cotton, lands, rentals, etc., would take on their old prices. Even under the vicious Sherman act this country shipped silver to foreign lands largely in excess of what came here, and this hybrid, restricted policy of buying silver outright to coin, which after made into money was only a token, was the worst and most damaging silver law put upon our statute books, as administered by the heads of the government. An enhancing money standard is financial death to debtors, giving the holders of gold the power of actual confiscation. In the name of decency and fairness, this nation should declare for independent bimetalism and restore silver to its old place.

And there have been no jumping at conclusions, either.

EUGENE V. DEBS must serve his jail sentence—so decides the U. S. supreme court.

GOVERNOR HUGHES is to be removed as governor of Arizona. He has been found guilty of irregularities in money matters, as well as of the political crime of nepotism. He appointed his whole family to positions.

The Oregonian gloats over the decision of the supreme court in the Debs case. We cannot praise this action which is one more step towards the degradation of the common people of the land. We yet believe in a republican form of government, not in dictatorship nor monarchy.

Those who will not, cannot heed hard, undeniable facts talk long and loud about Coin's financial publications. And yet Coin is meeting the hardest-headed goldbugs in the land. That gold has appreciated, and is appreciating still further, is an undeniable fact which is the result of making gold do double work as a money of ultimate redemption. Truths must be met and there is no use in "whipping the devil around the stump."

How does the gold monometallist (the Telegram spells monometallism with one l) know that independent action on the money question by the United States means silver monometallism? All reasonable arguments, added to the experience of this country from 1792 to 1873, are to the contrary. Those who want the classes to become rich at the expense of the masses oppose the free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold at the ratio of 16 to 1—a few hundred thousand people against the millions.

SECRETARY OF STATE WALTER Q. GRESHAM died at his Washington home at 1:15 last Tuesday morning, of pleurisy. The secretary had been ill since May 1st. Thus closed an honorable, though checked career, politically speaking. He was born March 17, 1833, near Corrydon, the old territorial capital of Indiana, Harrison county. In private, public and military life he always acquitted himself creditably. In 1888 he was the choice of many republicans for the presidency, but in 1892 supported Cleveland and was rewarded with the office of highest gift at his hands.

A Terrible Visitor.
Pain is always a terrible visitor, and often demises itself with one for life. This affliction is preventable, in case of rheumatism, by a timely resort to Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which checks the encroachments of this obstinate and dangerous malady at the outset. The term "dangerous" is used advisedly, for rheumatism is always liable to attack the vital organs and terminate life. No testimony is more conclusive and concurrent than that of physicians who testify to the excellent effect of the Bitters in this disease. Persons incur a wetting in rainy or snowy weather, and who are exposed to draughts, should use the Bitters as a preventive of ill-effects. Malaria, dyspepsia, liver and kidney trouble, nervousness and debility are also among the ailments to which this popular medicine is adapted. For the infirmities, aches and stiffness of the aged it is highly beneficial.

How Jeremiah Judkins Became Rich.

[By James Judson Martelle.]
CHAPTER VII.

"If you ken only do it, my friend," said Jerry in answer to Grant Rogers' statement that he was able to help him out of his financial dilemma. "I would be willin' to give you mos' anything, even to the hand of my darter, Mirandy, pervidin, of course, that she'd cep't ye an' ye'd cep't her, and things was 'greable on both sides."

Grant smiled sweetly at Mirandy and that young lady blushing deeply, at what she considered her father's matrimonial proposition, tripped kitchily out of the room, holding her calico apron before her face to hide her embarrassment.

Grant was somewhat taken aback at Jerry's kindly meant, but not highly appreciated, matrimonial intentions, and seeing that he had created a favorable impression on the elder Judkins determined to brave the storm and make the best of the situation.

"Well," answered Grant, "I have never thought much of matrimony as yet, but I should say that if I ever expect to take unto myself a helpmate and one who would surround my life with love and encouragement it is about time I was giving the matter some serious thought ere it is too late and I am counted out altogether in the matrimonial line as a book number, for I am now approaching the shady side of forty."

"Yes," answered Mrs. Judkins, "it's no mor'n rite that ev'ry man an' woman should be mated, an' Mirandy, ef I do say it myself would make a wife that eny man mought feel proud uv. Mirandy is goin' onto 18 now an' a better'n more helpful girl never lived, ef I du say it myself, seein's she's my darter."

"But, Mr. Judkins, in regard to the matter of my being of aid to you in a pecuniary way," broke in Grant who did not wish to allow matters of a matrimonial nature to come to a crisis, at least, at present.

"Oh, yes!" answered Jerry, "as you wuz a savin', Mr. Rogers, that you could help me, an' ef 'tain askin' too much, I'd like fer you to tell me an' wife 'bout it, an' ef it looks right an' honest we'll foller yer advice to the letter."

"You need have no fear as to the uprightness and honesty of my proposition, Mr. Judkins, for I am representing a thoroughly reliable, and, at the same time, one of the most prosperous, progressive and prominent business concerns of Heppner, and any infringement on veracity or misrepresentation of facts by one of their agents would be met by the firm with a prompt dismissal of the guilty employe," answered Grant.

"Well, I do believe as how you're an' honest man, Mr. Rogers, an' will listen tentively to what you've got to say," replied Mrs. Judkins.

"As you know," continued Grant, "I am representing the general merchandise and furnishing house of Horner & Rhea, successors to Horner & Warren, of Heppner, who carry one of the most complete stocks ever brought to Morrow county. The members of the firm, Messrs. S. S. Horner and Waldron Rhea, are both young men identified with the best interests of Morrow county and the people thereof. Endowed with a spirit of progressiveness and enterprise and a determination to succeed in business, they adapt themselves to the conditions of the times and in their own success lies, to a great extent, the success of their customers, for the firm of Horner & Rhea believe that the secret of success lies in small profits and quick sales of new goods and fresh staple articles. Shelf-worn goods do not accumulate in their store. The firm of Horner & Warren was inaugurated in Heppner in March 1894, and by strict attention to business, courtesy and a predominant desire to please their customers at whatever cost, they succeeded in building up a lucrative business. On the 6th of May, 1895, Mr. Warren severed his connection from the firm and was succeeded by Mr. Waldron Rhea, one of the popular and promising young men of Morrow county."

"And now Mr. Judkins, if you wish to save money and accumulate and pay off your indebtedness I would advise you to trade in future with Horner & Rhea, where you can procure goods at prices that will astonish you. They are receiving new goods daily and will sell you a fine suit of clothes, all wool, Oregon City make, for the small sum of \$6.50."

"Is that really so," broke in Mrs. Judkins, "why, most the cheapest suit Jerry ever did git cost 'bout \$20."

"And," continued Grant, "in all kinds of dress goods they positively refuse to be undersold. Horner & Rhea realize no bottom to low prices in calicos, ginghams and all domestics. Best line woolen cashmere at 35 cents per yard; Milwaukee Creed grain men's shoes at \$1.50; elegant calfskin shoes for ladies, \$1.25; outing flannel work shirts 25 cents; hats, the best, 50 cents to \$3; fine knit undershirts, 35 cents; the best line of blankets and bed quilts, for the least money, ever brought to Morrow county; groceries and provisions of all kinds; in fact all the necessities of life can be purchased of Horner & Rhea at prices that defy competition. By honesty and fair dealing toward all they have built up an enviable reputation."

"Wal' now, Jerry, hain't that sp'ies," spoke up Mrs. Judkins, "who'd ever thought things had got so cheap. It do seem se ef Providence had a hand in it an' that we mought cum out all right yet by tradin at Horner & Rhea's, where everything's so cheap; leastways we'll try, Jerry."

"Yes, Mr. Rogers, you have, indeed, sold us something that's to our interest to know, an' we'll take 'vantage of it rite away, an' maybe as wife an' we'll cum out all rite yet," replied Jerry.

"Well, Mr. Judkins," continued Grant, "now that I have performed my mission I will bid you good-bye, with the hope that it will be my pleasure to see Mrs. Judkins, your daughter and yourself again at no distant day, and trust that you will profit by my wholesome advice and information which you surely will if you follow it and in future do your trading at Horner & Rhea's."

Mirandy now re-entered the room and with one of her most gracious and characteristic winning and sweet smiles bid Mr. Rogers good-bye and "hoped that he'd keep well an' comfortable an' not ketch cold."

[TO BE CONTINUED.]
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