
 Tus two standards-the single one of gold and the double one of
gold and silver-are now before
the nation the nation. They form the leading questions that will attract the
attention of congress, and which must in part be solved before
much else will come before it The question has been probably shelved by the letter of Tilden, suggesting that we need for coast
defences and a powerful navy all the surplus revenue that the tariff ean bring. This stumbling block
may be said to have been dexterously removed from the path of Republicans and Democrats alike by the physically feeble but men tally powerful sage of Gramercy.
There can, however, be no evasion or postponement of the silver is-
sue. It is one of the live problems sue. It is one of the live problems
of modern economics and will not down.
The
already committed to the unpop ular side, and to the eastern as opposed to the western idea. In this, as in many other matters,
originality and boldness of ideas originality and boldness of ideas
comes from the west, which also supplied the means of carry-
ing on the civil war and of keeping up the supply of the precions
metals to the modern world. What would have been done without the two and a half billion
dollars worth of gold and silver that it poured into the lap of the nation, it is hard to say. The
western idea of this matter is entitled to more than ordinary consideration. It saved the nation
and preserved democratic institutions, and it untied what would have been some of the most knotty
points of modern financo and commerce. The world at large owes a deep tribute to the west,
to California, Nerada, Colorado, Montana, Idaho and Oregon. And the voice of the great west beyond
the Mississippi in this as in the Mississippi in this as in other
matters is united to that of the Pacific states. So also is that of few who carry on bosiness in the great cities and who are under the that of capitalists and corporations of every ilk and denomination. except the people of the east, as we believe that the true people
of the east, the bone and sinew, the workers of
The east, and also certsin seetective tariff. Now, there is no tected and cotton cloth, and why
silver should not, more especially when |we ask for no tariff, but mere common justice, that free
coinage of the metal that does so much to support the great induswies of the west, and that can do so much to support those of the
nation. If we cannot have free coinage of silver, or at least if by what right can the producer iron, cotton, etc., ask to be protected. We do not ask for congress to protect us in asking what goods, at the same time that we are allowed to import the pauper labor of the world so as to fill only ask justice, while we pay workers in our mines the pay the wages known in the whole world Wages known in the whole world of eapital and labor
The ery against the silver dollar is the cry of the capitalist, of who wishes to make the twenty purchase double what it did before, and who wishes to get rid of all restrictions and interest on the whole of the bonds interest on the whole of the bonds
deposited to secure his circulation instead of nine-tenths of them as
before. The man who draws double interest from the people wishes at the same time to render
ent face ralue in the markets of
the world. Even that face value
is much more than it was before,
but still be is not satisfied. By
right and law he shoul be paid
his interest in silver as well as
gold, but then the currency would
not be contracted, and he could
not obtain double his proper quota
of the people's sweat and blood.
We hope that the majority in
congress will not fall down and
worship the golden calf of mono-
metalism, but that it will stand
up And fight the battles of the peo-
ple, whom it is supposed to rep.
resent.

Tue Tories are said to be disgusted at the fact that most of the
Parnellites selected to sit in th next house are poor men, and
they express sorrow and anger at they express sorrow and anger
the financial assistance given by
America to the Parnellites America to the Parnellites
breaking down the parliament breaking down the parliamentary
system of non-payment of members, which has so long confined
the power of legislation exclusively the power of legislation exclusively
to the rioh. Aristocratic wesith feels unequal to
A New York man has cor-him to prison for 200 years. But he need not be discouraged. If in time for the dedication of the
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