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#### BIMETALLISM FAR AWAY.

While the house of commons has adopted the motion urging upon the government the advisability of doing their utmost to secure an international agreement, the governmnt itself, through Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, the chancellor of the exchequer, distinctly disavows any sympathy with bimetallism. And, undoubtedly, the government only permitted the adoption of the motion looking to a future conference on the subject out of courtesy to their colleagues, Arthur Balfour and Henry Chapin, who are prenounced bimetallists. No good, however could come of another international conference with the vast weight of England thrown into the scale of opposition to an international bimetallic ratio. The subject presents such enormous difficulties that it may easily be understood why the most sanguine of theoretical bimetallists should shrink from the obstacles that confront them.. Some of the more obvious of these were touched upon by Hicks-Beach. But the question which precedes them all in order is what ratio to fix. In the existing condition of things, when the commercial ratio of silver and gold is about 30 to 1, the demand of the free silver men of America for a continuation of the old ratio of 16 to 1 is preposterous. It is flagrantly It would mean simply repudiation. No nation in the world would consider it until the commercial ratio nearly approached that figure. But the changes in the relative value of silver and gold have been so startling and frequent in the past twenty odd years that no government would wish to agree poon a fixed ratio until the two metals had settled down to something like permanence in their relative values. The enormous increase in the production of old which seems likely to far outrun that of silver, is certain to result in a gradual increase in the relative value of silver, or, what is the same thing, a decrease in the relative value of gold. A long time must pass before anything like a durable adjustment of a legal ratio can be fixed by international agreement which will stand against the undermining influence of a higher or lower com-

The time may and probably will come when it will be possible to bring about an agreement of the chief commercial countries of the world to support the free coinage of gold and silver at a common ratio. While the benefits of such an arrangement have been vastly exaggerated, it would doubtless tend to maintain the stability of relative values of silver and gold, but it would hardly of silver and gold, but it would hardly way of Mount distant. Portland and the make much difference in the relative Puget sound country." amounts of gold and silver coined. But assuming it to be as beneficial in other respects as some bimetallists imagine. Oinevites Want the School Situation Un for many years to come the scheme is unattainable and therefore impracti-

mercial ratio

It is, therefore, not worth while for the American people to fool with this thioretical dream of a remotely possible bimetallism in their actual dealings with the monetary phoblems which confront them. We have got to deal with facts as they are, not as we would have them. Bimetallism in America alone on the basis of the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, or at any ratio less than that of the market, is simply a chimera. In this time of platform making it is absurd to even refer to it as a practical solution of the money question. The utmost that can be honestly done for bimetallism in the double standard sense in any sound money platform is to make It conditional on the agreement of the chief commercial countries. But until that is possible, there is no other possibility of sound money except in adhering to the standard money of the civilizd Mr. John Leuhy, they being those wi world, and lifting eliver and paper to a parity with gold, instead of driving gold out of circulation and degrading our currency to lower than the Mexican standard, with all the prodicious cataclysm of rascality on one side and panic en the other implied in this slump to he considers the fact that thirt the silver basis.

If the officials at Wasnington accept the plea of the Kentucky postmaster's wife, who says she broke open a letter merely to see what was in it, there is a new field open for women. An insatiable curiosity might excuse the breaking op n of a safe to see what was in it, rifling pockets to see what is in them, and even committing bigamy to see what there is

Between the positive announcement Between the positive announcement that hoopskirts are to return and the dead certainty that the bicycle is an executal of woman's equipment, the executal of woman's equipment, the emential of woman's equipment, the fen ining mind is liable to be sore distraught this spring. For the hoopskirt cannot be bifurested.

Italy has decided to attempt to give

England has just learned it is not in Egypt and thinks it will postpone that little trip. Moreover, France threatens to make it hotter, which is more to the

Four new battleships and fifteen terpedo boats are a starter for a navy. Let the good work go on and we may yet feel safe from British insult.

The silver agitators of Highard have received a knockout blow by the definite statement that the government is irrevocably for sound money.

peror William complained of British aggression in Africa, but the shoe is on the other foot now. As a choice between Blackburn or no

The French press grinned when Em-

senator we congratulate Kentucky The referce's decision is that it was

not a finish fight in Kentucky Lord Salisbury sticks to the same for

eign policy-making mistakes.

DEPEW AND VANDTRBILT. The Eastern Railway Magnates Are to

Make a Trip to the Pacifis Coast. The dispatch from New York in Thursday's Examinir to the effect that Chauncey M. Depew and Cornelius Vanderbilithe Mead of the big Vanderbilitalized

ceived yesterday afternoon by Colonel C. F. Crocker from Mr. Depew. "he great remedy, in shart, will put new life telegram stated that Mr. Depew and Mr. Vanderbilt would arrive in New Or-leans on Monday next and would start a day. Will you not try it." ediately for this city.

The gentlemen have two private cars. Colonel Crocker yesterday usued orders to have two cars run as a special train on fast time from New Orleans. He also wired General Manager Kruttschnitt, who is at Tucson on an inspecting trip, to proceed at once in his car to New Orleans and accompany the two distinguished centlemen on their Western trip. Colonel Crocker has arranged to meet them at Los Angeles about the latter part of next week. He intended to go farther east to meet them, but changed his plans on account of having loaned his private car to the daughters of Governor Levi P. Morton, of New York, a day or two ago in which to travel

The forthcoming visit of Vanderbilt The forthcoming visit of Vanderbit and Denew to California, together with the fact that J. B. Dutcher, one of the directors of the New York Central, and Daniel McCoy, one of the officers of the same road, are already here waiting for them, has caused a good d-al of gossip as to whether or not the visit of the gentlemen has not some meaning and significance beyond a trip for pleasure and recreation.

and recreation. Stories have been in circulation both here and at the East for some time past to the effect that Vanderbilt was interested in a syndicate organized to pur-chase the Union and Central Pacific, if possible, at a foreclosure sale, and in that way rid them of their government debts and operate them as one line. The prospective visit of the gentleman is by some people looked upon as tenling to confirm the truth of these stories.

Colonel Crocker yesterday admitted that the party would take a trip over the Central Pacific and then return here with the intention of taking a ride over the Mount Shasta route. He also said that he thought it was true that the Vanderbilts were largely interested in ing considered by Depew. In a further talk about the visit of Vanderbilt and

Depew, he said:
"As far as I know anything about the matter, Messrs Vanderbilt and Depew are simply coming to California on a Chatrann. pleasure trip. They have have been before and think a trip here for recreation at this time of the year will well repay them. I think it is true well repay them. well repay them I think it is true that Mr. Vanderbilt is largely interested in the Union Pacific and in its r organi zation plans. What the gentleman's in-tentions may be in regard to the l'nion Pacific and other Western railroad ent reprises I do not pretend to know. If he is interested in any syndicate to buy the Central Pacific I do not know it. I hardly thunk there is such a syndicate

in existence. I know that there have been a good many stories in circulation about such a syndicate. In my opinion they are not well founded. "All that I know regarding the visit of Messra. Vanderbill and Depew to this coast is that they will spend a few days in Southern California and in this city and at Del Monte. They then intend to see the snowsheds and the Sierra Ne-vadas by daylight. They will then comous and return nome by the back to the

PROOF POSITIVE.

Oiney, Or., March 19, 1896.

Editor Astorian.—
Dear Sir. "Taxpayer's" statement in his letter to the Herald that Timothy Leahy was in disfavor with perhaps most of the parents and therefore with their children was denied by John Leahy and his party. In order to prove the truth of that statement, I present the following to the public for their consid-

We, the undersigned, patrons of School Dist. No. 3s. Clatsop county, Oregon, de hereby certify that if Timothy Leahy by employed as the teacher of the publi school of said districut, our children shall

not attend said school.

"James Leahy, with seven children.

"Alex and Salome Corne, with one

Alex. Frazer, and wife. with three

ndren. 'Matilda Erickson, with two children.' "Matilda Erickson, standard The last named person is not the others are. Two ar, but the others are. Two James Leahy and Mr. Piter S would have signed the above, it been presented to them. Mr. Alle would have done so. We thus so were at the school meeting. There at that meeting also eight (really With such a condition of things con ing him, I can not see how he can for his son upon the district as teacher. It seems to me that the son himself should see that it cannot well be done, when would not attend school, that num-being at least half, if not a majority of all those in the distri-

#### Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

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RUNNING THE GAUNTLET.

ing the gauntlet"-a punishment supposed to be peculiar to the American Indians—was originated in the British Every sailor in the crew but the

A mother, commending her daughter for a situation, was asked if she was an early riser. "An early riser." she ex-claimed. "Well, I should think no! Why, Italy has decided to attempt to give she's up in the morning and has breakfling Menelek's forces a little more cx-fast ready and makes all the beds nefore any one else is up in the house!"

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#### mean you?

to lack ambition, life and healthful vigor You can tell it by their looks. This shiver with the cold when the weath: is bleak. They have a pinened, sallow appearance. run down. Their symptoms plainly show that their blood is thin and poor, that it does not circulate properly, and that their liver and kidneys are in a very bad state. That is why they have these miserable symptoms and complain of

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#### a day Will you not try it? REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

A Republican convention for Clatsor county is hereby called to meet at Mc-Kinley hall, in the city of Astoria, on Thursday, April 2, 1886, At 10:30 a. m., for the purpose of elect

ing seven delegates to attend the Reing seven detegates to attend the Re-publican state and congressional conven-tion, to be held at the city of Portland on April 3, 1886, and for the purpose of nominating the following county officers to be voted for at the election to be held on Monday, June 1, 1886, towit: Two rep-sentatives, one commissioner, clerk, re-corder, short for treasurer, surreyor ascorder, sheriff, treasurer, surveyor, assessor, superintendent of schools, coroner, and one justice of the eace and consta-

ble for each precinct. The committee hereby recommend that the primaries in the various precincts be held on Saturday, March 28, 1825. The following apportionment has been made being one delegate at large from each precinct and one delegate for every 15 votes or fraction thereof over 5 votes east for Ellis for congress in 1894 Astoria 1st ward 25 Lewis and Clarke 3 Astoria 2d ward 16 Mishawaka 2 Astoria 3d ward 11 North Fork 1

Bear Creek I Seaside i Vesper 2 Westport 6 Walluski Clausep lewell J Young's River J
Knappa 4 John Day 1
All voters in favor of the Republican

principles of protection to American in-dustries and labor, and the upbuilding of the home market and fishing indus-tries of the Columbia river, are cordially invited to unite with us. It is further recommended by the com-mittee that no proxies be allowed except those held by residents of the precinct

from which the proxies are issued. Vanderbilits were largely interested in some form or another in the Union Pacific railroad and were having a good elected at the convention to be held cific railroad and were having a good deal to say in the proposed financial reorganization of that company now breelected at the convention to be held deal to say in the proposed financial April 2, 1896, and that the delegates be reorganization of that company now breelected to represent both congressional elected to represent both congressional and state conventions. That the con-vention then adjourn until after the

W. F. McGREGOR, Secretary.

REPUBLICAN PRIMARY

A primary election is hereby called for the city of Astoria to elect delegates from the three wards of said city to attend the county Republican convention of the county Republican convention of Clatsop county, Oregon, which is called to be held at said city of Astoria on Tuesday, April 2nd, 1896. Said primary election will be held in said city on Sat-urday, March 2sth, 1896, and the polis-will be opened at 1 o'clock p. m. The first ward is entitled to deet 25 delivates. first ward is entitled to elect 25 delegates, the second ward 16 delegates, and the third ward 11 delegates

In the first ward the polling place be at No. One's Engine House and the judges are B. S. Worsley, G. C. Fulton and Fred Blinn.

and Fred Blinn.
Second ward polling place will be at
Welch's office. Judges-D. H. Welch, W.
L. Robb, and H. G. Smith.
Third ward polling place will be at
the old school house. Judges-John Enthe old school house. Judges—John En-berg, O. F. Morton, and Harry Young.
The committee recomm od that a mass meeting of the Republican voters of the city be held at Carruthers' Hall, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., on Friday, March 27th, 1896, for the purpose of selecting delegates to be voted for at said primary election. JOHN FOX.

Chairman Barabilican Committee

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