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A WORD OF WARNING.

The first quarter of 1896 presents the largest list of actual commercial and industrial failures in business in the United States, and those in which liabilities exceed assets, ever reported for a like period. The total (including financial institutions) is \$32, or 700 more than in the first quarter of 1895; 56 more than in 1894, and 148 more than in the first quarter of 1893.

In the light of the above startling extract from last Friday's Bradstreet, it is to be earnestly hoped that every delegate from Clatsop county will go to the convention at Portland with a realistic sense of his individual responsibility in the vote he shall there be called upon to give in naming the leadership and fixing the future policies of the Republican party.

Do these delegates know what is responsible for this appalling retrogression in the affairs of this country? Do they know what has receded or threatens to recede with all its mischievous and destructive power that old distrust and uneasiness in the business world which awhile back kept every poor man, and even those of moderate means, in constant terror for the possible fate of the loved ones whose hungry mouths depended upon his exertions for their daily bread?

Do these delegates understand that the return of these distressing conditions at this time will be due to nothing else but the attitude assumed by sixteen United States senators in Washington, representing less than one-tenth of the people of the United States, who have handed themselves together in an infernal conspiracy to produce that very state of misery and apprehension, with the object of forcing congress or the people as they gather in their periodical political assemblages to make some compromise or concession to their views on finance?

Do these delegates know that even Grover Cleveland, with his strong and obstinate convictions on economic questions, and all his rugged will and determination to adhere to what he considers a principle, seeing the warning days of the present congress and knowing the absolute necessity for some immediate form of financial relief which would save the government from utter impoverishment, restore confidence, and revive industrial prosperity, deliberately sent word to these recalcitrant senators that if they would unite with their Republican colleagues and pass the pending tariff bill as sent over from the house of representatives, he, as president of the United States, would deem it his official duty to approve it? And do Clatsop county's delegates to the Portland convention know that these sixteen senatorial traitors, gloating over the temporary power which the folly of the framers of our constitution and the heedlessness of their own constituents had lodged in their hands, laughed this patriotic and magnanimous proposition of Grover Cleveland to scorn, and derided him as the ostensible head of the tariff reform party for having made such a proposition?

Do these delegates know that the facts detailed here are recorded history, and, although they may be vehemently denied now, they will become so well known as to appear in future school text books and be read by coming generations with the same amazement and detestation felt for the exploits of Benedict Arnold? And do these delegates know that every scheme known to political chicanery and every device which selfish and unscrupulous human ambition can invent, will be exerted to secure the direct or indirect endorsement of the Republican convention of the state of Oregon for the perjury and recrancy of these same so-called silver champions?

Do these delegates understand that, brushing aside all the sophistry, technicality and complication of the money issue, the simplest and most comprehensive illustration of the fearful and ruinous effects of free silver coinage, is found in the liberal fact that every dollar of the hundreds of millions the Cleveland administration has had to borrow, represents the coming home of this country's free silver chickens to roost; that this vast debt is nothing more nor less than the premiums which the country has unconsciously paid since the resumption of specie payments to the silver producers, and that this money, with the millions that have yet to be paid in one form or another, is now in the pockets and composes the fortunes of the silver miners of this and other countries?

These may seem like astounding and unreasoning statements, but every man of ordinary intelligence, who will do a little sober and serious thinking for himself, can readily understand that in spite of all its intricacies and ramifications, the whole question of free silver can be thus reduced down to the simplest elements. Let the Clatsop county delegates

be aware, therefore, of counsellors who tell them that the money question can or will be ought to be kept out of the state convention.

It is in the state convention that the platform of the national convention is really formulated. It is from the action of these state meetings that the men who go to national conventions trim their sails, select their candidates, and declare their principles. If the free silver men find themselves outnumbered at Portland, they intend to hold the convention down to some pretended "meaningless" straddle on the money question. Let no Clatsop county delegate be fooled by any such proposition. In the present state of public feeling, there can be no "meaningless" declaration on this question. There is no middle road. The convention must come out in strong and vigorous language for honest money, and a sound financial policy, or it will be written down, conceded, and claimed by the silver men throughout the length and breadth of the land as a victory for the fifty cent dollar, and an endorsement of the course in the senate which throttled the tariff bill and threatens to precipitate upon the country before the next presidential election a second and worse visitation of the horrors incident to a financial panic.

Look at Africa for a moment! It isn't so long ago that it was a vast and hopeless wilderness, filled with mosquitoes, malaria and alligators. The European nations wanted an outlet for their surplus and turbulent populations, and so began to seize the small and ragged fringes of the Dark Continent. This little game of grab went on merrily for some time, and with increasing impetuosity. Just now the invaders are in possession of about seven million square miles of Africa. France has almost two million square miles, and England has more. Portugal and Belgium have fenced in pretty large farms, and the native, like the American Indian, must dig himself to the rear and get out of the way. It will not be many years before there will be a railroad straight across from the Atlantic to the East, and European markets will be flooded with African products. Well, we can stand it if the Africans can.

When we contemplate the scramble for political office which is constantly going on, we turn sadly to the words of Horace Walpole: "I should love my country very much if it were not for my countrymen."

CAUGHT A SEA MONSTER.

Exciting Adventure of David Squally While Fishing.

Tacoma, Wash., April 6.—A salmon of the Puget sound, had quite an adventure on the bay Friday. He was trolling for three salmon off Brown's point when he hooked a horrid old fish shark, about seven feet long. As soon as hooked the monster began floundering around and became thoroughly entangled in the line. David Squally, a young man, who was fishing at the time, saw the commotion and went to the aid of the fisherman. He finally caught sight of the struggling fish but did not know what to make of it. It took a world of trouble to kill it without tipping the canoe over. He finally did so and towed it to shore, where he put it in his canoe and started for Tacoma. It was taken to the North Pacific Fish Company, where F. P. Hughes, one of the employees, skinned the monster and intends stuffing it for exhibition. It was reported on the Pacific coast yesterday afternoon that this is the second fish of the kind ever caught in the waters contiguous to Tacoma.

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EFFECT LOST.

Exchange. "And is your first view of Lake Michigan?" Is it not grand, glorious, inspiring? From the stately mansions yonder one looks out over the smooth water, and the sea wall, the waves that ceaselessly— "What is that coming down the road?" "That—hm—that is a young woman in bloomers, riding her wheel. Let's go and get something to eat."

NOT A CONGENIAL OCCUPATION.

Exchange. The young Populist who was learning dentistry threw down his instruments. "I don't like this," he said, "wants gold fillin' in his teeth. Silver don't get a fair show. Darn such a business!" And he reached for his hat and coat. Is the woman with the lorgnette really nearsighted or only impertinent?

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SHE DIDN'T TAKE WITH THE GENTLEMEN. She was refined, intelligent, and not bad looking, but somehow she never seemed to take with the gentlemen. They didn't like her listless ways; they said she hadn't any "saap" about her. Poor girl! she was suffering from functional irregularities, and it was actually impossible for her to take much interest in anything. But a change came. One day she heard of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. She procured a bottle, and she had not taken half its contents before she felt like another woman. Now she is in the enjoyment of perfect health, and has suitors by the score. No woman need suffer from functional irregularities and weakness. The "Favorite Prescription" is a safe and certain cure for all the weaknesses to which women are peculiarly subject.

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria. John Bright's sons have asked for the removal of the statue of their father recently set up in the corridor of the Parliament building in London. The statue is the unsatisfactory work of a sculptor named Gilbert.

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