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"Whit' thou?" seems to be the standard question asked of the Democratic leaders, and to a man they will.

What New York mistook for the roar of Niagara over the phone, was the McKinley boom rolling eastward.

The independent voter will be very much in evidence this year, and he will be reinforced by probably a third of all the Democrats in the country. If, as now seems inevitable, the Chicago convention resolves itself into a free silver side show. And the regular Democratic organization will not even have the decency to present the spectacle of a normal-sized, respectable corpse in November.

It is reported that Spanish shopkeepers in Mexico and several South American republics will boycott the United States—refusing to buy goods from us—because our sympathies are with Cuba instead of Spain. That would be a pronounced case of cutting off the nose to spite the face. No where in the world, probably, can these Spaniards buy good merchandise on as favorable terms as in this country, and it is not likely that their loyalty to their mother land could long stand the strain of such heavy financial losses as would result from the foolish course contemplated.

FREE COINAGE AND TERRIBLE CONTRACTION.

If a president and a congress pledged to enact a free coinage law were to be elected in November next there would be no gold in the treasury and none in circulation before the month was at an end. The \$600,000,000 of gold now in the country would disappear from circulation—would be practically "demonetized," by the coming cheap silver dollar.

Before November, 1896, had closed the purchasing power of the rest of the currency in the United States would have shrunk one-half. The 426 millions of silver dollars which have been coined and which circulate chiefly in the form of silver certificates would be worth only half their face. So with the 221 millions of national bank notes, which would be redeemed only in 50-cent silver dollars. So with the 126 millions of "Sherman" treasury notes. The money value of the 70 millions of subsidiary small change silver in circulation would be cut in two in the middle. The 346 millions of greenback legal tenders, no longer redeemable in gold dollars, would shrink one-half in their purchasing power, or ability to transact business in buying and selling property and labor.

In less than thirty days 600 millions of gold would disappear from the country, and the 1,200 millions of silver and paper money would shrivel up to 600 millions of gold value. Thus there would be a currency contraction of 70 per cent, coupled with an almost incalculable destruction of values. The deposits in the savings banks of the wage-classes are 1,800 millions. In national banks there are 1,700 millions of deposits. In state and private banks and loan and trust companies there are 1,200 millions of deposits; and in building and loan associations 450 millions. The total of these deposits amounts to 4,600 millions in value. They are owned by millions of people, and half of these deposits belong to the working, toiling classes.

This tremendous contraction in the value of the currency and deposits of the nation has not been discussed by the free silver, cheap money silverite papers, who are afraid to talk about it. They dodge it and ignore it. They cannot explain it away. They blow and gas about everything else.

Secretary Carlisle had much to say on the subject in his Chicago speech; but neither Algeed nor any free silver advocate, orator, or newspaper has met this one fatal objection to their crazy scheme to change the money standard of the nation from 100-cent dollars to 50-cent dollars by an act of congress.

They all say that the country is suffering because it has not money enough now. They all admit that free coinage cannot help but drive out the gold. Then they go on to claim that silver enough will flow in to take its place. They say there will be billions of silver in circulation in the "course of time."

But they have nothing to say as to what will be taking place during the contraction period; when the currency will amount to 600 millions in gold value and purchasing power instead of 1,200 millions. If congress should proceed to issue a billion greenbacks to be redeemed some time in silver when the government would have to spare, then they would decline to a value of 55 cents on the dollar, and the silver

would disappear from circulation and become a commodity of export to pay for our national imports. And congress would be quickly called on to issue a few more billions of irredeemable greenbacks, which would daily decline in purchasing power. And all this is the certain outcome of the crazy scheme of abolishing the good money standard and substituting the bad money silver standard.

THE FAINED GIANT ATLAS.

Was said to have supported the world upon his shoulders. If so, he must have been a decidedly muscular individual. We can't all be muscular, but we can enjoy a fair amount of physical vigor if, when that blessing is denied us by nature, we supplement her defect by an appeal to the national tonic, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which restates digestion upon a permanent basis, remedies nervousness, biliousness and constipation, and overcomes rheumatic and kidney troubles. It also counteracts the poison of malaria in air or water, and reverts exhausted energy when impaired by unusual heat or mental fatigue. The aged, infirm and convalescent have no more potent and thorough helper than this justly popular invigorant, with a successful record of nearly half a century.

Custom may sanction it, but certainly a woman who alights from her wheel and sits on the grass along public roadways is not a picture of feminine grace or modesty.

FREE PILLS.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver Troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size, 25¢ per box. Sold by Chas. Rogers, Druggist.

Many persons, if they were honest in the expression of their opinion would say that they preferred the music of the piano or organ to grand opera.

ALL FREE.

Those who have used Dr. King's New Discovery know its value, and those who have not have the opportunity to try it free. Call on the advertised druggist and get a trial bottle free. Send your name and address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a sample box of New Life Pills free, as well as a copy of Guide to Health and Household Instruction, free. All of which is guaranteed to do you good and cost you nothing. Chas. Rogers, druggist, Odd Fellows' building.

Two females distinctly unpleasant to meet are the one who knows it all and the woman who never makes a mistake.

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE.

The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sore, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Felling Sore, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and All Skin Eruptions. It cures all sores, and is a perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price, 25¢ per box. For sale by Chas. Rogers, Odd Fellows' building.

The fair bicyclist who insists upon wearing black dotted veils will look like a human leopard after a warm ride.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder.

Contains no Ammonia or Alkali. The woman with weak ankles should avoid low shoes.

In the Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of DeWitt's Little Early Risers, for they always cleanse the liver, purify the blood and invigorate the system. Chas. Rogers.

Asparagus lovers are now in their element.

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The cowboy type seems to be the model on which the small man dresses this season.

One swallow does not make Spring, but one swallow of One Minute Cough Cure brings relief. Chas. Rogers.

No obligation to justice does force a man to be cruel, or to use the sharpest sentences.—Jeremy Taylor.

ROYAL Baking Powder has been awarded highest honors at every world's fair where exhibited.

The array of bicycles outside drug stores these evenings gives the observer the impression that the soda water business is booming.

A. L. Wooster, a prominent citizen of Osego, Mich., after suffering excruciating pain from piles for twenty years, was cured in a short time by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, an absolute cure for all skin diseases. More of this preparation is used than all others combined. Chas. Rogers.

A dodo of wild roseterone makes a lovely finish to a young girl's bedroom.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Sarcasm is the language of the devil; for which reason I have long since as good as renounced it.—Carlyle.

It's all the same, a slight cold, congested lungs or severe cough. One Minute Cough Cure banishes them.

NOTICE OF INTENTION.

To Change and Re-establish the Grade on Irving Avenue, Between Tenth and Twelfth Streets, in McClellan's Addition.

Notice is hereby given that the common council of the city of Astoria proposes to change and re-establish the grade on that portion of Irving Avenue, in McClellan's Addition, as extended and changed by Cyrus Olney, which lies between the west side of Twelfth street and the east side of Tenth street, at the following heights above the base of grades, as established by ordinance No. 71, entitled "An Ordinance to Establish a Base of Grades for the Streets of Astoria," to-wit:

On the north side of the crossing of said Irving Avenue with Eleventh street, 126 feet.

On the south side of said crossing, 126 feet.



Advertisement for Battle Ax Plug tobacco. Text: 'Greatest Quantity. Highest Quality. Smallest Price. Battle Ax Plug. The largest piece of strictly high grade tobacco ever sold for the price. Not the large size of the piece alone that has made "Battle Ax" the most popular brand on the market for 10 cents, QUALITY; SIZE; PRICE.'

ALAMEDA AVENUE GRADE NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the common council of the city of Astoria proposes to establish the grade on Alameda Avenue, in that part of the city known as Uniontown, at the following height above the base of grades:

At the northeast corner of block 2, at 25 feet above the base of grades, and at a point directly opposite and at right angles to the east line of block 2, at 25 feet.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

The paneled skirt is quite the latest idea in feminine apparel.

One Minute is the standard time, and One Minute Cough Cure is the standard preparation for every form of cough or cold. It is the only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. Chas. Rogers.

Midsummer millinery runs largely to tulle and white tips.

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A TWISTED.

May twister in twistering. A twist in twistering a twist. For in twistering a twist. But if one of the twists. Untwists from the twist. The twist untwisting. Untwists the twist. That is, when He's twistered with one other twist than MARSHALL'S.

Marshall's twine—used by 75 per cent of the fishermen on the Columbia river.

Table of Sheriff's Tax Sale listings. Columns include names of owners, addresses, and amounts. Includes entries for Olney, Anderson, and various other property owners.