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When his opportunity comes, Mitchell may be expected to recant on the money issue, precisely as his representatives and leading headmen did on the occasion of the league convention at Portland. Of course he and they will be taken back into the republican party, for it must ever be held contrary to the principles of good republicanism to proscribe any man on account of prior political affiliations or because of errors which he confesses and offers to atone. But the hard-headed voters of the gold standard in Oregon are not likely to forget the history and recent conduct of some of these men. It is one thing to restore them to the equal rights enjoyed by the humblest republican, but it is quite another thing to give them the chief place of honor and again entrust to them a leadership which they forfeited and betrayed. An effort will be made to bring these men forward and to make a virtue of their yielding to the force of circumstances, but it will not avail.

The extremity to which the opponents of Hawaiian annexation are driven is seen in the effort to scare the farmers with the assertion that annexation will seriously injure the new sugar beet industry in the United States. Hawaii produces cane sugar largely. It is the principal industry. But we have a treaty of reciprocity with the islands, and have had it for many years. Under it, Hawaiian sugar comes into the United States free. If Hawaiian sugar had been paying duty there would be a little color to the argument. But as we take practically all the sugar Hawaii produces, have taken it for years, and it pays no duty, it is plain that the annexation of the islands will have no effect in any way upon the sugar beet industry. We produce only one-tenth of the sugar we consume. The remaining nine-tenths are imported. There is ample room for the sugar beet industry, for it will be years, even under the most favorable circumstances, before we will produce through it all the sugar we require. Meanwhile, sugar beet growing is a very profitable industry in California, where it meets the Hawaiian sugar, which all comes in at San Francisco. This one fact disposes of the scare attempted by the anti-annexationists.

A reform that goes to the root of most of the political abuses which flourish under a democratic form of government is being urged by those who lately gathered in convention at New York to promote the betterment of the system of primary elections. These are the gatherings in which the important questions of party control are decided and where the personnel of the executive and legislative departments of government, whether national, state or municipal, is really determined. As the system cannot rise higher than its source, so governments, in any instance, cannot reach a higher plane than that reflecting the sentiments and purposes of those who control the primaries. Without doubt, much may be done to improve the primary system by the enactment of legislation to safeguard the rights of the individual elector, but it should not be forgotten that in the last analysis the responsibility for abuses in politics rests finally with the citizens themselves, and that far too many of them are neglectful or disdainful of the duties which rest upon all citizens in a government resting upon manhood suffrage.

Senator Wolcott has raised a storm in his own camp by his strong support of international bimetalism, and his frank confession of his belief that it can only be possible upon a basis of 20 or 22 to 1, instead of 16 to 1. Senator Wolcott is a recognized leader of the silver forces, and the effect of this declaration upon the masses is regarded with apprehension. The silverite leaders unwisely committed themselves to the ratio of 16 to 1, and have endeavored to make the voters believe that any change in it would be of the nature of sabotage. For Wolcott to abandon it, and declare for a coinage ratio nearer the actual bullion ratio, gives away the whole contention. There are thousands of intelligent voters who are perfectly willing to see silver restored as a basic money metal, but they know that real bimetalism can be had only by putting enough bullion in the silver dollar to make it equal in value to the bullion in the gold dollar. That is, they know that bimetalism is only possible when the market ratio of the price of silver and gold bullion is made the coinage ratio. For Wolcott to admit that the 16 to 1 ratio is unimpeachable, and that more bullion must be put into the silver dollar, is to concede the truth of the above position, and to give a death-blow to the absurd contention that a law of congress can create value—can make 46 cents' worth of silver equal to \$1 worth of gold.

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A LEAF FROM THE RECORD. The Oregonian. In the republican state convention of 1896 held at Portland, the following proceedings took place, April 19: The committee on platform, headed by Hon. Sol Hirsch, reported in favor of "bimetalism" with silver and gold as a joint standard. This was the old straddle, employed to enable silver men and advocates of base money still to lay claim to be republicans. A minority of the committee on platform, headed by Mr. Claud Clatch, reported as follows:

We favor the use of both gold and silver to the extent which they can be maintained in circulation at parity in purchasing and debt-paying power, but we are earnestly opposed to the free and unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1, for the reason that it would destroy each party, and immediately place the country on a silver basis. This plain declaration against free silver and its consequences was opposed by the "Mitchell push," led by Mr. Hirsch, and supported by Mr. Fulton. In consequence of the division of the Multnomah delegation, which gave the Mitchellites one-half, this resolution in favor of an honest declaration on the money question was voted down by 129 to 108. The argument of Mr. Hirsch and Mr. Fulton was that it was "necessary to concede something to every man's opinion," and that it "would not do to go to the extreme." The real object was to protect Senator Mitchell and Representatives Hermann and Ellis, who had long outraged the gold standard sentiment of Oregon on this question, and whose policy it was to bank definitely on the supposed liberance and profligacy of the people, in order that they might be elected to office. But there is progress. Mr. Galch was elected president of the League of Republican Clubs Tuesday last, and resolutions were adopted completely vindicating the course he took two years before. Time-server, grab-bake politicians and trucking cowards are moving forward. It is time.

LIFE'S DAY. For life is an April day at best, With germs that wait for a warmer sun, And death is only the sunset gate That opens the realm of our dreaming's quest. After the tolling, the sweet, sweet rest, The bed and the blossom when spring is done, In the summer land with the friends who wait. —Emma Playter Seabury.

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Tide table for February, 1898. Table with columns for DATE, HIGH WATER, and LOW WATER, listing times for various days of the month.

ASTORIA'S GRAIN FLEET 1897. Table listing various vessels and their cargo, including wheat, barley, and other grains, with columns for Vessel and Flag, and Value.

Barrels of flour. MARINE NOTES. The Puritan is due from Yokohama this morning. The lighthouse tender Columbine came down from Portland yesterday.

VESSELS BOUND TO ASTORIA. The following vessels are bound to the Columbia River, with name of master, nationality, rig, tonnage, where from and date of reported sailing: Dovenby Hall, Whickham, Br sh, 183 tons, Liverpool.

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tona, New York, October 14. Oberon, Gully, Br bk, 164 tons, Newcastle, Australia, October 8. Chalmers, Thomson, Br bk, 197 tons, Cape Town, October 8. City of York, Jones, Br sh, 161 tons, Sydney. Lakemba, Breshing, Br bk, 108 tons, Fremantle. Clan Robertson, Phil, Br sh, 156 tons, Santa Rosalia. British General, Thomas, Br sh, 160 tons, Newcastle, Australia. Milan, Messenger, Br bk, 182 tons, Nagasaki. Yalori, Brown, Br sh, 168 tons, Newcastle, Australia. Jordan Hill, Walker, Br bk, 218 tons, Melbourne. Klutuck, Perrette, Br sh, 281 tons, Yokohama. Amara, Kent, Br sh, 196 tons, Hongkong. Alexander Black, Dunn, Br bk, 194 tons, Adelaide. Watson, Fritz, Ger sh, 209 tons, Hongkong. Lord Shafter, Cunningham, Br sh, 221 tons, Sydney. Bristol, Melnyne, Br sh, 224 tons, San Francisco. Annie Thomas, Thomas, Br sh, 178 tons, Port Pirie. Almona, Thomson, Br bk, 178 tons, Newcastle, Australia. Peter Riekman, Westermeyer, Ger sh, 225 tons, Hongkong. Auckland, James, Br sh, 124 tons, Adelaide. Cleland, Taylor, Br sh, 184 tons, Royal Roads. Cronies, Esip, Br sh, 128 tons, Sydney. Windush, Walker, Br bk, 143 tons, Adelaide. Gerald, Ruiz, Ger sh, 146 tons, Santa Rosalia. Almo, Kuhlman, Ger sh, 302 tons, Santa Rosalia. Romanoff, Morgan, Br sh, 127 tons, Newcastle, Australia. Forthbank, Peterson, Br bk, 132 tons, Goughart. Gwynedd, Davies, Br bk, 103 tons, Honolulu. Puritan, Br sh, 228 tons, Kloba. Adelman, Winter, Br bark, 85 tons, Alagoa Bay. Lonsdale, Jones, Br bark, 143 tons, Brisbane. Cambrian Prince, Br ship, 175 tons, Melbourne. City of Athens, Lundin, Br ship, 110 tons, Antwerp. Marion Innes, Hughes, Br sh, 143 tons, Sydney. Atalanta, Cabellero, Chile sh, 124 tons, Talcahuano. Orelia, Stuart, Br sh, 178 tons, San Francisco. Barmbek, Tades, Ger bk, 228 tons, Hoge. Rutledge, Robinson, Br bk, 228 tons, Port Pirie, November 27. Cyrenus, Bond, Br sh, 170 tons, San Francisco.

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