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The same patriotic and conservative papers whose columns used to be filled with frantic exclamations to the effect that tin plate could never be, never will be profitably made in this country, are now warning the tugging masses that the latest attack upon their rights and liberties is the prospective formation of a trust to cut down and limit the production of American tin plate.

Of course there will be no war with Spain, but one good effect of the Maine disaster will be the grant of sufficient money by congress to put our coast defenses in a state of reasonable effectiveness and add, perhaps, a few more first-class ships to the navy. The tinplate who were so active awhile ago in trying to stir up trouble with Spain cannot for consistency's sake refuse to vote for these appropriations. The war and navy departments had better hurry up, however, with their estimates and demands; otherwise the mood of these fellows will change and not a cent will they allow for any purpose but the improvement of the creeks and branches flowing through their home district farms.

The Brooklyn Standard-Union says: Mr. Sylvester Sevel, of the "World," has put an idea on the wires that may be worth looking over. It is that either the Spaniards or the Cubans are responsible for the loss of the Maine. Sevel does not agree with the judgment of the most experienced of our naval commanders that the catastrophe was accidental, and divides the responsibility as we have stated. If any Cuban did it he was a fanatic, and believed his bloody work would precipitate war between the United States and Spain, and free Cuba. It would be well to look out for these Kes West literary people, who knew before an examination was made, all about an eight-inch hole in the hull of the ill-fated ship. It is that hole is there the investigation should include Key West, the real capital of Cuba Libre.

The past few years have been years of party disintegration. The old party issues are dead issues in a large sense, and the multiplication of parties which has characterized the politics of the country during the last decade furnishes the best evidence of this condition of partisan disintegration. The present is a period of new partisan argument upon the issue of an honest and stable currency, and as such should be sagely welcomed. On this issue the friends of a sound financial system should cast aside all old and minor political differences, and engage in the contest without mistaking. They will have a principle to contend for which should be vigorously and aggressively advanced everywhere, even in the very strongholds of free coinage. It does not need to be defended. It should be positively proclaimed as the only financial principle upon which the prosperity of this or any nation can be founded.

The judgment of the world will be that Zola had not a fair trial, and if he goes to prison it will be an another martyr condemned through official conspiracy to shield some guilty man. He will lose nothing by his conviction and punishment—but will rather be the gainer in every way thereby. It would have been much better for France if his prosecution had never been undertaken. From the nature of his offense the only issue of his trial was whether Dreyfus was or was not wrongly convicted as the scapegoat for another man, but upon this question the Zola prosecution would neither offer nor permit defense to offer evidence of any description. If the Dreyfus trial was "fouled" in the sense that it could not be alluded to or discussed in considering the issue of Zola's guilt or innocence, it appears like a mockery to have given him any trial at all, and he occupies the attitude of a man who has been condemned

without a hearing. The general opinion of Dreyfus' innocence has been strengthened by the manner of Zola's trial, and instead of its one victim of official injustice the French government will now rest under the odium of having made two.

PARTISAN REALIGNMENT.

It is announced by the free coinage advocates in congress that all the odds and ends of political parties that profess as a part of their political belief that forty cents' worth of silver can be legislated into a hundred cent dollar are getting together into one party for the avowed purpose of capturing the house of representatives at the next election and the presidency in 1900. This announcement was hardly necessary, as there was a practical union of the sort in 1896, the only kickers being Tom Watson and a few of his middle-of-the-road followers, and a complete union of the cheap dollar advocates was the logical outcome of the little less than complete union that characterized the free coinage campaign of 1896.

Instead of regarding this complete fusion of the free coinage interests with alarm the friends of sound money should welcome it. The coalition of the republicans into one political army will compel the consolidation of all the friends of an honest payment of all public and private debts into another. Gold democrats and republicans must meet the united forces of a dishonest coinage with an undivided front, and instead of standing on the defensive force the fighting themselves. They won't have to hunt after their opponents in two or three separate camps. They can find them all in one camp and concentrate their attack upon that one.

FIREARMS ARE NOT TOYS.

Two more deaths have lately resulted from "didn't know it was loaded" accidents—a mother killing her babe and a boy almost having his head blown off. Revolvers and guns are dangerous under all circumstances. Firearms are not toys. It is also unsafe to trifle with what are termed minor ailments. Insignificant though they seem at first, they are likely, if precautions against their further development are neglected, or they are untimely treated, to develop into maladies of dangerous and complex magnitude. The best way is to arrest their progress at the start with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which cures constipation, liver complaint and rheumatism, malaria, kidney trouble and nervousness. A decline in health is something we cannot afford to disregard. Nature always exacts a severe penalty for continuous heedlessness of her warnings. Independent of its sterling efficacy as a specific for chronic maladies, the Bitters is a superb tonic and promoter of appetite and sleep.

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Worn Out?

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Table for February, 1898. Columns: DATE, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER, and various ship arrivals and departures.

SHIPPING AND MARINE



ASTORIA'S GRAIN FLEET 1897.

Table listing ship names, destinations, and cargo details for Astoria's grain fleet in 1897.

BARRELS OF DOOR.

MARINE NOTES.

The Columbia arrived down from Portland yesterday evening. The American ship Henry Villard, Captain Patton, 23 days from New York, with a miscellaneous cargo arrived in yesterday. The Elmore, for Tillamook, attempted to put to sea yesterday and came back to port again. The German ship Peter Rickmers, from Hong Kong, in ballast, is off the mouth of the river. The steamer Chikla, which was on the beach at the Astoria Iron Works left up for Portland yesterday. The low boat Oklahoma took the large wharf for the fortifications over to Scarborough Head yesterday. The German ship Bischoff arrived down from Portland yesterday evening. A large load of wheat also arrived in finish, cargo. The British ship St. Enoch, Captain Laird, cleared from the custom house yesterday with 15,000 bushels of wheat valued at \$100,000. The State of California, from San Francisco, arrived in yesterday morning and proceeded up to Portland after discharging the local freight. The British ship Ross-shire, 218 tons, Captain Baxter, 26 hours from Port Townsend, in tow of the tug Relief, arrived in yesterday afternoon.

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, Whiteham, Br sh, 168 tons, Liverpool. Ben Vortick, Abler, Ger sh, 167 tons, Santa Rosalia. Otogo, Bek, Swd bk, 970 tons, Hamburg. Conway Castle, Jones, Br sh, 1091 tons, Valparaiso. Yandura, Beavan, Br bk, 1916 tons, Algoa Bay.

AN OPEN LETTER TO MOTHERS.

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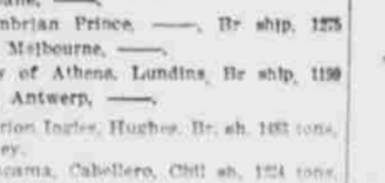
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