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TONGUE'S FLOP.

(From the Albany Democrat.)

Thomas H. Tongue was placed in nomination for congress as a "sound money" man and is now being backed and run because of his single gold standard doctrine, even the Oregonian supporting him, whereas it would not were there a single doubt on the question. Mr. Tongue has completely flopped on the subject without any reason for it except political preference. Less than two years ago in a letter in the Oregonian he wrote lucidly on the silver question giving splendid arguments in its favor, sufficient to induce every honest free silver republican voter to vote against him now that he is for a single gold stanard.

Here is the bulk of the letter:
HILLSBORO, Or., Nov. 3, 1894.—
(To the Editor:—) I have read with some care your editorials in today's Oregonian, as well as the one of a few days ago, in which you depict the terrible consequences of either the free coinage of silver, or coinage of the product of our own mines. It is to be inferred from these articles that the Oregonian favors the present coinage laws of the United States, and is ready to wield its powerful influence in favor of the continuance. Let us look at those laws squarely and see what they are and where they are leading us. Heretofore our silver mines have been a vast source of wealth; they have furnished employment to thousands of men, who became consumers of the products of the labor of others, and have furnished a good share of the increased circulation needed by a constantly expanding population to do its increasing business. Nearly all of this has been overthrown by legislation in the last year. We have reached a condition unknown in history. Our silver mines are absolutely worthless to us as producers of money metal. If run to their full capacity, not one ounce of their products could pass through the mints of the United States, or get into circulation among our citizens as money. Not a dollar of additional silver can get into circulation as money except by redeeming a treasury note. When the silver is got out the treasury note is redeemed and destroyed, and the circulation remains the same. A vast amount of silver money is lost and destroyed every year by abrasion and by accident, and there is no way to supply the loss. Constantly increasing population demands increased silver circulation and the demand is ignored. On the contrary, as the population increases, the silver coin, by abrasion and destruction, constantly decreases. This will lead inevitably, if long continued, to gold monometalism. With tariff laws designed to increase our imports, while exports are diminishing enormously in value, the products of our gold mines, inadequate even to pay the interest on our public, private and corporate indebtedness to Europe, what will be the end? And where will the supply of money be obtained?

A continuance of this legislation means constant retraction. Scarce money means dear money, with increased purchasing power; it means a decrease in the price of every other species of property, real and personal, in the country, and in the city; it means decrease in the wages of all classes of labor, skilled and unskilled, manual and professional. But worst of all it means an enormous increase in indebtedness of every class, public and private, with diminished power to pay. It means confiscation of the property of the debtor for the benefit of the creditor.

It will make the United States a paradise to the class of people who are exclusive creditors, but it will make it a hell for everybody else. Even the most generous and less exacting creditors will suffer with the rest. Having loaned his money

on property with only a fair margin at old-time values, when the power of the debtor to pay is taken away, he finds himself compelled to take property robbed of its value. That it would be downright dishonesty to legislate to enable the debtor to repudiate just financial obligations is not disputed, but it is equally dishonest, and productive of more hardship, to increase by legislation the obligations and burdens of the debtor for the creditor. It is easy of comprehension why England, the creditor nation of the world, should favor contraction of the world's money and a limitation of money metal. Having no silver mines of her own, and being a purchaser of both silver and food products, it is equally easy of comprehension why she should use every effort of diplomacy and legislation to diminish the value of both, but why the United States, a debtor nation, with extensive silver and vast stores of food products to sell, should voluntarily assist in carrying out the same policy, and diminish the value of her own resources, "passeth understanding." Unfortunately for the welfare of the country it contains too many people who, surrounded by huge blocks of well secured, interest-bearing obligations, are interested in legislation that makes money dear, and everything else cheap; who, not engaged in productive industries themselves, are anxious to secure the product of the toil of others at the least possible outlay. As business and population expand, our monetary needs will be constantly supplied from silver mines on American soil, owned by American citizens, worked by American miners, who in turn supply their needs from the production of other American workmen. How this result, if accomplished, placing in circulation the entire product of our silver mines, not needed for other uses, and will not exceed probably 50 cents per capita, will disturb business or commerce or prove detrimental to our financial system, I am at a loss to see.

In this contest it is greatly to be regretted that the Oregonian, right upon so many questions, should, in the opinion of many of its staunchest friends, be wrong upon this, should throw the weight of its vast influence upon the hand that, while oppressing other people, bears with equal hardship upon the proprietors of the Oregonian. The heart of the editor is generally in the right place and sympathizes with those who are wronged and oppressed, and it ought to be so in this matter. With the Oregonian on the right side of this question, the entire west would present a solid front against those who are doing us financial wrong and laying weary burdens upon those least able to bear them. THOMAS H. TONGUE.

A COUNTY official is elected for one term. Sometimes he is honored with a second term. The one term is the rule and the second is the exception. Every official is expected to do as well as his predecessor. If he fails, he merits the disapproval of the people. If he succeeds in doing only as well, but no better, then he has simply paid the debt of gratitude for his election, and the people owe him nothing. If he improves on his predecessor's record and does particularly well, then he may possibly claim a second term as his reward. Taking as true all the figures that Judge Duncan has exhibited in defence of his record, and giving him full credit for all he has done, and overlooking in charity, the mistakes of his administration, he has done only about as well as his predecessor, but not one whit better. In that event, the county owes him nothing. He and the people are even. Then upon what does he base his claims for re-election.

THE Advance, while a populist paper, and supporting the ticket of its own party, is free to acknowledge merit in a political opponent, and we don't mind saying a good word for our friend and fellowtownsman, S. M. Garland. Mr. Garland stands high in this community, and we

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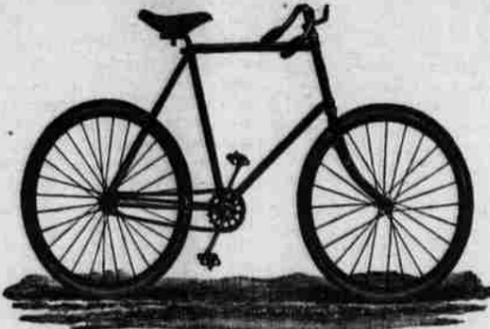
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believe, if elected, he would be a careful and economical county judge. While very courteous and obliging, he has a pretty stiff backbone and can say "no" when he wants to.—Advance.

Scio democrats are returning to their first love. The rousing meeting last Saturday has developed a wonderful enthusiasm for the ticket. Scio will pay her respects to Lebanon by giving the democratic nominee for judge a big vote. Scio is "on to" herself again and will soon become the banner democratic precinct.

MR. GARLAND'S remarks were well received and the impression made by him while here upon the people generally, without regard to party, was a favorable one.—Scio correspondent in Albany Democrat.

BOB MILLER, the democratic nominee for assessor, is said to be a man against whom no one can say a word. He is popular, honest, courteous and capable.

REPORTS from different sections of the county indicate the election of Mr. Garland.

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Beginning in the north-east quarter of Section 31, Tp. 13 S., R. 1 E., Will. Mer., (223) two hundred and twenty-three feet west of the south-east corner of Lowell Ames, Jr. Donation Land Claim, Not. No. 7618, and Claim No. 47, in said Tp., and running thence west 51 feet; thence south, 16 degrees east, 5 96-100 chains; thence north, 74 degrees east, 50 feet; thence north, 16 degrees west, direct to the place of beginning, containing 1/4 acre, more or less, situated in Linn County, Oregon; and

Also beginning 79 1/2 feet north, 80 degrees E., of the south-west corner of a piece of land sold and conveyed unto M. G. Moss by Hugh Harris, and running thence N., 80 degrees E., 70 feet; thence N., 10 degrees W., 125 feet; thence S., 80 degrees W., 70 feet; thence S., 10 degrees E., 125 feet to the place of beginning, containing 1/4 acre more or less, all situate in Section 32, Tp. 13 S., R. 1 E., Will. Mer., in Linn County, Oregon.

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