

Lebanon Express.

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A FALSE CHARGE.

The hopes of the common people of the country are fast centering upon Bryan. They see no light ahead in following the lead of Cleveland democrats or McKinley republicans. Both tend toward monopolies, trusts and combines, in which the people have no interest except to crush. It is squarely a fight between grinding monopolies and down-trodden masses. Cleveland democrats would force the gold standard upon an unwilling people, and McKinley republicans would do all of this and then add to it all the misery of a high tariff. There is no hope for the people between these two evils. They are between the Egyptians and the Red Sea. Bryan is the leader that a merciful providence has raised up to deliver the people from the hands of their oppressors. The people believe in him and they will emphasize their belief with the ballot. The gold-bug press are frantic with fear. To stem the tide and turn it toward McKinley, the press is trying to spread the belief that Bryan is a mere socialist, an anarchist, who would revolutionize the government and confiscate the wealth of the rich. This is a base and wilful slander. They do not believe it nor will the people for one moment listen to such nonsense. Bryan has a stainless life, private and public. His poverty indicates his honesty. He has no sympathy with the money power of the land. He is the people's friend and their champion. Wall street, the hot-bed of trusts, is denouncing him. This proves his friendship for the masses. Wall street is hurrahing for McKinley. They never hurrah for a man who is opposed to their interests. They nominated McKinley long before the St. Louis convention and their ill-gotten wealth is now flowing into his campaign fund. These trusts have always robbed the people, and this same money is being lavishly used to fasten McKinleyism upon the people. These plutocrats of Wall street are yelling that Bryan is full of populist principles, in order to turn the sober thinking element against him. This is untrue, in the sense in which it is meant. But even if Bryan has populist ideas, there are worse things than the ideas of populists. We do not endorse many things that the radical element of the party supports, but we fail to see wherein their worst ideas are any more dangerous than Mark Hanna and his unscrupulous corporations, trusts and combines. The very existence of the populist party was brought about by the over-reaching dishonesty and heartless oppression maintained by Hanna's friends and McKinley's supporters. The republican ticket has no hope for the masses. Their only salvation is in Bryan.

So the loss of the treasury gold reserve is to be stopped, and the New York bankers are to do it. Thirteen million dollars of reserve went Englandward in ten short days, and it came to the pass where it was either a bond sale, or aid from the New England and New York banks. A bond sale now the bankers reasoned, would bring the attention of the country to a defect in the single gold standard system, and show the people how the perpetuation of that standard was fastening an ever-increasing bonded debt upon the country. It would be poison to the chances of a gold standard victory at the polls in November, and it had to be averted. So the bankers held a meeting, and J.P. Morgan presided. Mr. Morgan was a member of that Anglo-American syndicate that made ten million dollars out of a sixty million dollar bond sale a few short months ago. Of course the meeting agreed that the present loss of gold reserve must be checked and they evolved a plan to do it. In the light will be stopped until

after November first, but then—Then the same power that stopped it can again start it, and the bond sale, with its splendid profits to the conspirators, will come.—Corvallis Times.

The Sacramento Bee, a republican paper of forty years standing writes its valedictory to the modern republican party. Among other good things, it says: Standing thus as a republican paper—proud of its past and conscientious of its present—The Bee declares that it will not follow the republican party into its house of bondage, into its land of captivity, into its slavery to the kings of Wall street. It will not sacrifice its manhood and degrade its honor—it will not bastardize its republicanism—by bowing the knee to Mammon and accepting as an article of faith a declaration of principle antagonistic to every interest of the people, destructive of the welfare and corroding to the progress of the nation, and beneficial only to those who fatten and thrive upon the very life blood of the masses. It will not—it cannot—remain silent during the coming campaign, and not point out the base use to which the glorious republican party has been put—an organization at whose birth liberty herself smiled, transformed into a mere capper, for the money jugglers and the gold gamblers.

POPULIST CONVENTION.

By a decisive majority, 1042 to 321, the populists nominated Bryan for president. They put up Watson as his running mate and left Sewall out in the cold. This was done to appease the middle-of-the-road populists. The executive committee was given full powers, which means that they can withdraw Watson if they see fit. The wisdom of nominating a populist with Bryan is doubted. It is to be hoped that Watson will withdraw, as his presence in the field mixes up matters considerably. There is some talk of Bryan's refusing the populist nomination. The heads of the executive committee are conferring to decide upon the wisest course. It is to be hoped that the silver strength will not be scattered. The chances of success should not be endangered by any false pride on the part of the populists. By helping the democrats they can insure the election of a free-silver president. Afterwards they can get back in the middle of the road and work for the other planks in their platform. Let the silver forces now remain strongly united for victory.

The Oregonian and other gold-bug papers, in their wrath and dismay, are stooping to do very mean little things to turn the minds of the people against Bryan and Sewall. They have published what they claim to be the list of articles upon which Bryan pays taxes, and they seem to take a sneering delight in the poverty of the democratic nominee for president. They forget the disastrous financial mess in which McKinley got and the handsome sums contributed by his friends and those who wanted to place a possible president under obligations to them. McKinley was probably blameless but this unfortunate financial muddle ought to silence any carping criticism of Bryan's poverty. This is a poor man's country and this a poor man's election. There is no disgrace in poverty, and the honest, toiling voter will resent so base and shameless attempts of republican goldbugs to sneer at the people's candidate—W. J. Bryan.

From present indications the hop yield in this section will not be over half the average crop. Some yards were plowed up, others were entirely neglected and many but partially and cheaply cultivated. The heated spell will shorten the yield on yards that have received the best of attention. There is some consolation in the fact that the hot weather has about exterminated the lice. This shortage will work a hardship on many poor people who have depended upon hop picking to procure their winter supplies. It is very probable that

the growers, who, with hardly an exception, lost money last year, will insist on a lower price for picking.—Guard.

The gold-bug newspapers predict that the adoption of free silver would tumble the country into panic ruin and calamity. Three years ago the same papers predicted that the repeal of the Sherman law would bring prosperity. The country took their advice and repealed the Sherman law. Did prosperity follow? Did the prices of farm products leap upward, and did labor find speedy and remunerative employment?

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