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ENGLISH AND GERMAN

Movements Are Looking Toward Bimetallism.

DECLARES THE GOLD STANDARD

Is a Reproach to Our American Civilization.

BERLIN, April 4.—A committee of the trade congress, which assembled today, will demand an adoption of the following resolution: "The commercial and industrial circles must regard every weakening of a well-ordered gold-standard in Germany as a fundamental injury to German economic life."

BERLIN, April 4.—The upper house of the Prussian diet has referred to a special committee the proposal of Count von Mirbach for an international conference on the currency question.

BALFOUR ON BIMETALLISM.

LONDON, April 4.—The annual meeting of the bimetallic league was held at the Mansion house, the official residence of the lord mayor of London. Sir Joseph Dimdale presided. Among those present were Lord George Hamilton, the Duke of Fife, and Sir Donald McFarlane and Mr. Charles Vincent, members of the house of commons. The Right Honorable A. J. Balfour, conservative leader of the house of commons, made a strong speech in favor of the double standard. He said the belief in bimetallicism was growing not only in London and elsewhere in Great Britain, but throughout the civilized world. One great change was noticeable. It was seldom now asserted that bimetallicism is intrinsically impossible. Formerly a bimetallicist was regarded as a dangerous faddist. Some persons admitted that monometallism in a large portion of the world had depreciated prices and put a bond on imports. Thus, for instance, Great Britain bought from India and other countries wheat at a price below its legitimate value and these persons figured that this was an advantage to the consumers and therefore benefitted the mass of the community.

Mr. Balfour declared, however, that he was convinced nobody in the city was so foolish as to suppose the interest of Great Britain was benefitted generally by an unlimited fall in prices.

Another argument was that the banking supremacy of London would be threatened by a currency change, but no monometallist was ever able to explain how. He contended that London, as the financial center of the world, would gain rather than lose by anything placing the currency of the world on a sounder basis. The third argument was very absurd. This was that a change would depreciate gold and therefore persons having deposits in banks payable in gold would withdraw them instantly. The change threatened thus to cause such a commercial crisis as the world had never seen. Though a panic was probably unreasonable, there appeared to him no good grounds to suppose that people would do anything so inordinately silly as to withdraw their deposits because the world's currency was going to be put on a stable basis.

The fourth and strongest argument was "let well enough alone." But the bimetallicists asked, was it well enough? When the country depended for its very bread on foreign nations and if it were cut off could not live a day, and would have ruin staring it in the face, it was the height of folly to practice isolation respecting the currency medium.

He didn't believe that the common sense of the nation would long tolerate such a state of things. In view of what

was proceeding in Germany, America and France, and even to Great Britain, he was convinced that men of all classes would soon combine to end the reproach of our civilization.

INCOME TAX FACTS.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Income tax returns are coming in far beyond the expectations of officials. To save time and avoid complications, collectors were instructed to certify and send returns the first of each month, and, therefore no reports have been received of a date later than March 10. Nevertheless 10,000 returns have already been received, and are being verified and recorded. It is estimated that returns made to collectors prior to March 10 represent at least \$1,500,000. It is not expected that returns to any considerable number will be made before the 5th or 10th of April, five days before the time limit expires, hence the showing is exceedingly gratifying to those having the matter in charge.

VALLEY LOCAL NEWS.

BROOKS.

While hauling wood Tuesday Mr. A. G. Perkins met with a lucky accident. He was standing erect in the front end of his wagon, which struck a stump and necessitated a sudden halt and it is useless to say what A. G. did, but he did however land on his head on the tongue of the wagon peeling his forehead and one cheek. Consequently he is a pretty stiff farmer at present. Had better be a little careful A. G., your neck is pretty short.

The south bound local was side tracked here twenty minutes Wednesday in wait for a through stock train of eighteen cars of fine fat steers, loaded in California en route for Seattle and Montague, Wash.

W. G. Evans was in Brooks, Wednesday, making arrangements for the P. O. of which he has been appointed.

The W. C. T. U. ladies are talking of an egg festival in the near future.

Mr. F. J. Clark and wife, Mr. G. W. Massey and wife and Mr. E. K. Shaw and wife, partook of a sumptuous dinner Sunday at Mr. Jas. Fruits, which was prepared by Mrs. F. who knows just how to prepare a fine dinner.

Ask Harrison Jones how he sells candy on April 1st.

Sim Wolf the Harness man, has an incubator set on 304 eggs. If it don't sit too heavy on them Sim will have fried chicken by and by.

Frank Harrass has been building bee hives of late. Frank says honey and hot cakes are fine. Guess he means to raise bees.

A number of the members of the W. C. T. U. will attend the co-convention at Woodburn next week. There will be no meeting of the union on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Massey, Mrs. Wm. Hoover and Chas. Hoover, made a trip to Salem Tuesday.

THOUGHTS OF THINKERS.

A long string of fish is not carried up a back street.

THE JOURNAL printed a carefully worded report of the Oscar Wilde libel suit devoid of objectionable features.

Speaking of Vic Looney's appointment the Eugene Guard says: "Thus the hog county swipes in another pap-sucker."

The best evidence that THE JOURNAL is the best paper to advertise in is the fact that the advertisers all read it.

Harrison's Candidacy.

CHICAGO, April 4.—General J. E. Clarkson stated positively today that ex-President Harrison was a candidate for presidency. "General Harrison," he said "is not an active candidate, perhaps, but he certainly is a receptive candidate."

THE MARKETS.

PORTLAND, April 4.—Wheat Valley 80@81; Walls Walls 45@46.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—Wheat, 85.

CHICAGO, April 4.—Wheat, cash, 84; May 85.

NEW YORK, April 4.—Silver 65; Lead, 305.

Chas. Cunningham, a sheep raiser of Umatilla county, has 20,000 head of sheep to shear this year.

GOSPEL MISSION—Will be opened on Friday night, in the room facing Liberty street, on the first floor of the opera house block. Meeting every night at 7:30. All are invited.

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THE WILDE LIBEL SUIT

Some Disgusting Disclosures of Estheticism.

ENGLAND'S SUNFLOWER DUDE.

He Exhibits Confusion and Contradicts Himself.

LONDON, April 4.—There was continued and notable interest the Oscar Wilde libel suit. Further questions upon the part of Mr. Carson, counsel for the Marquis of Queensberry brought forth the admission that a man named Taylor, introduced to Wilde five months whom Wilde gave money and took to a restaurant. Wilde in answer to questions exhibited confusion and contradicted himself frequently. He also lost his temper. Carson's questions were in the main, pitiless and unprintable. Carson's cross examination of the plaintiff was concluded at noon, having lasted over six hours.

Sir Edward Clarke, leading counsel for Wilde, then began examination of his client by putting in certain letters to the Marquis of Queensberry, in which he called upon his son, Lord Alfred Douglas, "to cease his infamous intimacy" with plaintiff, saying, "his blood turned cold at sight of their infamous faces." He added: "I hear Wilde's wife will petition for a divorce on the grounds of unnatural crimes. If you do not cease to let him disgrace us, I shall feel justified in shooting him on sight." To this letter Lord Alfred replied: "What a funny little man you are." Most of the papers are printing the testimony in the suit almost verbatim, but the character of the testimony is such, today, that the St. James Gazette says we "cannot repeat it."

WILDE'S TESTIMONY.

Wilde testified that the man to whom he gave £50 on receipt of a letter which he referred to the "red-rose lips" of Lord Douglas, which amount was used to pay his passage to America, was named Wood. Replying to a question by Mr. Carson, Wilde said the letter to Lord Alfred was merely "poetical," and he added that he had an "undying love" for Lord Alfred, who he claimed was his best friend. Witness denied having misquoted himself with Wood. The latter, he added, was introduced to him by Lord Alfred, who asked him to befriend the man.

Wilde and Wood, it was also shown by cross-examination, addressed each other by their Christian names.

It was also developed that in writing he did not concern himself to produce morality or immorality. He had no purpose and was concerned merely in literature, beauty, wit and emotion. He rarely thought of anything he wrote as true.

Sir Edward Clarke objected to Carson cross-examining his client on that novel as it appeared in Lippincott's magazine and not as it appeared in England. Wilde thereupon stepped from the witness box and whispered a few words to his counsel, after which Sir Edward Clarke withdrew his objection. The cross-examination was very severe and brought out the great differences in the ages of Oscar Wilde and Lord Alfred Douglas, (the former was born in 1856, and the latter in 1870) how the two had visited various towns together; stopped at the Savoy hotel together and how Lord Alfred visited Wilde's chamber.

Carson then drew out Wilde's opinion regarding literature in general, to which line of cross-examination the plaintiff made many responses in the same line as his plays.

"The interpretation of my works does not concern me," said Wilde. "I do not care a tuppence for what Politicians think about me."

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

AMERICAN NOBILITY.

Row in the Spreckles Family, of San Francisco.
SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—The row in the Spreckles family has reached a somewhat sensational stage. Young "Gus" Spreckles filed a complaint in the Superior Court this morning, charging his father, Claus Spreckles, with slander. Claus Spreckles, in a newspaper interview, said some rough things about his younger sons. He practically charged Gus with embezzlement and blackmail. Young Spreckles sues for but three hundred dollars damages, as his desire is simply to clear himself of the charges which his father has publicly made against him.

Low Rates to Astoria.

PORTLAND, April 4.—A rate war is pending on the lower Columbia river. The O. R. & N. Co. will, tomorrow, announce a reduction in passenger rates to Astoria from \$1.50 to \$1.25; round trip from \$2.50 to \$2.00.

Sudden Death.

Polk county was shocked last Saturday to hear of the death of Miss Anna Hatch, 18-year old daughter of Hon. and Mrs. E. T. Hatch of McCoy, who died after a short illness Friday evening. Anna was a young lady of amiable and kindly disposition and a favorite in the community in which she lived. The large circle of friends of the family extend their sympathy. Her remains were buried Saturday at Bethel.—Dallas Transcript.

Dallas News.

The state convention of Epworth Leagues met at Dallas April 4 and extends over to the 7th. About twenty delegates went from Salem. The state convention of Presbyterians meets at Dallas, April 9.

There was nearly an inch of snow fell on the Polk county hills Wednesday night and froze on the ground, but no damage to fruit so far is reported.

The hardware merchant, Micajah Morrison, who has been ill for some time, is reported improving.

Caught at Corvallis.

Chief of Police Dilley took the morning train for Albany armed with a warrant for the arrest of Wm. Taylor, a deck hand on the steamer Eugene. Last evening, Taylor and J. A. Dittmar, another employe on the boat, became involved in a quarrel and as a result the latter swore out a warrant for Taylor's arrest. The boat left last evening for Corvallis with the prisoner on board. Chief Dilley telegraphed to the police at Corvallis and had Taylor arrested and brought to Albany where he was met by Chief Dilley and returned to Salem. Taylor pleaded guilty to assault and battery before Judge Edes this afternoon and paid a fine.

REPUBLICAN CLUB—The Salem Republican club is called by order of President Hatch to meet at the city council chamber, Friday evening, April 5, at 7:30, for a business meeting. A full attendance is desired.

THE ELMORE WINS.—The steamer Elmore landed at Salem at 3 o'clock, beating the Altona and making the quickest time on record, having left Portland at 6 a. m., and making all landings.

The demurrer of the Oregonian Publishing Company to the complaint in the suit for \$45,000 instituted against it by Clarence Cole has been argued and taken under advisement. The plaintiff was allowed five days in which to prepare and file a brief.

The Southern Pacific company is making preparations to build a new depot at Hillsboro.

The chief of police of Portland has submitted his monthly report for March, showing that 310 arrests were made during the month.

The trial of the Pomeroy, charged with having concealed stolen goods in progress at Hillsboro. Hon. Thos. F. Tongue represents the defense.

Prayer is blessed with the grip.

AN OKLAHOMA EVENT.

Five Men Hold Up an Express Train

ON THE ROCK ISLAND RAILROAD.

The Sugar Trust Will Open a Big Distillery.

CHICAGO, April 4.—At Headquarters of the Rock Island road it is said that last night near Dover, train No. 1 was held up by five mounted men, who ordered the baggage man to open the door of the baggage car. He refused and the robbers fired twelve shots through the door, wounding the baggage man in the wrist. The robbers then broke down the door with a sledge hammer but did not get any plunder from the baggage car. They hurriedly proceeded through the smoker and one of the day coaches, securing about \$300 from the passengers, six revolvers and a number of watches and rings. The passengers in the sleepers were not disturbed. The robbers were last seen from the train going west from Dover, all mounted, the leader being upon a mettlesome grey horse. A posse started from Kingfisher, the next station, in pursuit of the bandits.

A Sugar Trust Distillery.

New York, April 4.—That American Sugar Refining Co. will engage in distilling spirits is made certain by the fact that distiller's license have been taken out by the company. The understanding is that one of the old refineries in Brooklyn will be converted into a distillery with a capacity of 60,000 gallons proof spirits per day.

To Business Men.

The following local item appeared in Tuesday morning's Statesman.

To Business Men—By order of Capital Typographical Union No. 210, the following are the "fair" printing offices in the city of Salem: State, E. M. Waite, R. E. Moore & Co., and the Statesman. All other offices are "unfair." W. D. Torrey, secretary.

The Capital Printing Co.'s office, of which I am the sole proprietor, is by this action of the typographical union designated as an "unfair" office, and the intent is evidently to induce the merchants of this city to withhold from me their patronage. This action has been taken by the union without any notification to myself and I have not the least idea as to what prompted it, unless it be that I do not give employment at the rate of \$21 per week.

I consider the action of the union a piece of uncalled for impertinence, and an unwarranted interference with my private affairs. It is simply an attempt to blackmail me into complying with their demands. The money invested in the office of the Capital Printing Co. is my money and I propose to run it to suit myself without consulting any set of men who, not having any property interest in the city, seek to dictate to taxpayers as to how they should conduct their affairs.

Heretofore I have given union men employment in my office in preference to others, because I believe in maintaining as good a rate of wages as possible, and no needy printer has ever been turned away from my office without having received some assistance. I have aided hundreds of such men when their union was either unwilling or unable to assist them, and among the members of Salem union there are some who are indebted to me for substantial favors.

I have not sought this fight and I am sorry the union has taken such action, but I do not believe the business men of Salem will allow themselves to be influenced by the "unfair" typographical union.

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