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THE DEVILFISHING.

(Anonymous Poem Handed to The Journal by an Old Subscriber.)

The Devil sat by the river side,
By the Stream of Time, where you'll always find him,
Casting his line in the rushing tide,
And landing the fish on the bank behind him.

He sat at ease in a cozy nook,
And was filling his basket very fast
While you might have seen that his deadly hook
Was differently baited at every cast.

He caught 'em fast as a man could count;
Little or big, it was all the same.
One bait was a check for a round amount—
An assemblyman nabbed it and out he came.

He took a gem that as Saturn shone;
It sank in the water without a sound,
And caught a woman who long was known
As the best and purest for miles around.

Sometimes he would laugh, and sometimes sing;
For better luck no one could wish,
And he seemed to know to a dead sure thing
The bait that was suited to every fish.

Quoth Satan: "The fishing is rare and fine,"
And he took a drink, somewhat enthused,
And yet a parson swam 'round the line
That e'en the most tempting baits refused.

He tried with his gold and fishing gems,
Hung fame and fortune upon the line;
Dressing gowns with embroidered hems,
But still the Dominie made no sign.

A woman next went on the hook,
"I have him now," quoth the Devil, brightening,
Then Satan's sides with laughter shook
And he landed the preacher as quick as lightning!

THE SILVERTON MOVE TO REFORM TAXATION.

(Editorial in the Silvertonian.)

One thing accomplished by President Roosevelt during his administration is a step toward justice for which American people have long been pleading, and from this has grown many pleasant reforms in American politics.

The same "Square Deal" spirit will ere long HAVE ITS INFLUENCE IN OUR SYSTEM OF TAXATION.

Justice and equity are required in this, and with this end in view farmers and business men of Silvertown have organized.

What may be accomplished from the beginning cannot be estimated, but this much seems true; there is a growing tendency in the way of reform and **PROPERTY OWNERS ARE DETERMINED TO PUT THE MATTER SIGNIFICANTLY BEFORE THE PUBLIC.**

It was for the President to lead the way in one of the greatest movements that has ever been inaugurated along the line of reform, and it is for the President of this organization to lead the way to great achievements.

Under the initiative and referendum which the people of Oregon recently saw fit to establish in the state **SOME GOOD OUGHT TO BE BROUGHT ABOUT IN THE MATTER OF TAXATION.**

This is an era of progress and the progressive step in this direction may as well be started in Silvertown as at the Capital city—or better.

Farmers and business men who feel that they **HAVE BEEN TOO HEAVILY BURDENED BY TAXATION AND HOPE FOR REFORM ARE URGED TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE SILVERTON TAXPAYERS' LEAGUE** and work as one body with a purpose for better conditions.

AGAIN—THE ONLY CURE.

If the government owned and operated the railroads, routes to every point on the map would be based upon the actual cost of operating the roads after providing for improvements.

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Pilot Rock would be entitled to just as low a rate as Spokane, Seattle or Portland, mileage being equal.

Every mile of railroad would earn its proportionate share of the common expense and there would not be one rate in competitive territory and another excessively high rate in territory without competition.

All the complicated, incomprehensible, puzzling tariffs, all the inequalities, all the watered stock dividends, all the discriminations would be wiped out of existence at one stroke.

Really, it is not strange that people should put up with such unpleasant conditions, when relief would be so easily obtained through government ownership?

NEVADA MINING STOCKS TUMBLING DOWNWARD

\$50,000,000 Drop in Five Months Makes the Promoters Glare With Surprise.

The big mining boom in the Nevada country is meeting with a great slump in price of mining stocks. It would seem that the public is bound to whip all the froth and foam from stocks and buy them at something like real value if they are bought at all.

During the past five months Nevada mining securities have depreciated in value \$50,000,000. This is at the rate of \$10,000,000 a month.

Eruptions

The only way to get rid of pimples and other eruptions is to cleanse the blood, improve the digestion, stimulate the kidneys, liver and skin. The medicine to take is **Hood's Sarsaparilla** Which has cured thousands.

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months ago—brought 77 cents. It changed hands at 25 Monday. Bullfrog has dropped from 55 to 15 in the past five months, and Montgomery Mountain, from 75 to 15 in the same time. Gold Bar has lost just \$1, selling November 15 for \$1.87 and Monday at 87 cents. The Goldfields show even a greater decrease. Consolidated sold November 15 at \$10 and Monday brought but \$7.50. Silver Pick has lost just one cent less than a dollar, having dropped from \$1.90 to 91 cents. Atlanta has dropped from 95 to 65; Combination-Fraction from \$6.50 to \$2.85, and Kewanos from \$1.50 to 98 cents. Similarly large declines can be cited for other stocks.

Nevada Puzzled.

The figure is staggering—\$50,000,000 difference in the stock board valuation of a state's stocks for five months is startling even to those who know how stocks go up and down. The Reno papers says everyone is at a loss to understand this change for the worse. "There is no feeling of panic and no one seems to believe the bottom has fallen out," it reasons. "Many guesses are made but they are mostly born of a lively imagination. The thing is mysterious, and more so when stocks are weaker than ever just when labor troubles are at an end and better things might be expected. The mines are here, and they are the greatest mines in the world made none the less so by stock fluctuations."

Public Is Wary.

The stock game throughout the United States, is not being played so heavily by the general public as it was last summer. Affairs like the recent New York flurry have frightened the small buyer out of the game. He has been shown how far outside the circle he is while dabbling in stocks with his little savings. Now he wants to be sure that he is buying something safe as mining stocks go, but finds the really safe offerings are too high priced. The stream of money pouring into the stock pits last summer has been shut off and diverted to other channels and things are settling gradually as a result. The elimination of speculation is bringing about a safer state of affairs. More good than harm will come out of the changes now taking place.

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