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THE COUREUR-DE-BOIS.

In the glimmering light of the Old Regime
 A figure appears like the flashing gleam
 Of sunlight reflected from sparkling stream
 Or jewel without a flaw.
 Flashing and fading but leaving a trace
 In story and song of a hardy race,
 Finely fashioned in form and face—
 The Old Coureur-de-Bois.

No loiterer he 'neath the sheltering
 Of ladies bowers where gallants fling.
 Thro' his woodland realm he roved a king!
 His untamed will his law
 From the wily savage he learned his trade
 Of hunting and woodcraft; of nothing afraid;
 Bravely battling, bearing his blade
 As a free Coureur-de-Bois.

A brush with the foe, a carouse with a friend,
 Were equally welcome, and made some amend
 For the gloom and silence and hardships that tend
 "To shorten one's life, ma foi!"
 A wife in the hamlet, another he'd take—
 Some dusky maid—to his camp by the lake;
 A hantling, roving, rollicking rake,
 This gay Coureur-de-Bois.

Then peace to his ashes! He bore his part
 For his country's weal with a brave, stout heart.
 A child of nature, untutored in art,
 In his narrow world he saw
 But the dawning light of the rising sun
 O'er an empire vast his toll had won.
 For dauntless deeds and duty done
 Salut! Coureur-de-Bois.

—Toronto Globe.

THE LAW TO PREVENT THE INITIATIVE.

The new act for employing the initiative and referendum, supposed to have been drawn by Mr. U'Ren, the alleged father of direct legislation, is going to require some explanation.

The state grange which will be in session next week, had better take some notice of some of the provisions of this measure, AND APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO MAKE THE ACT LESS PROHIBITIVE.

It might properly be deemed an act to limit the use of the initiative if not make it impossible, or at least limit it to such use as Mr. U'Ren might wish to make of it.

It is barely possible that by his syndicate methods, by a combination of corporate or plutocratic interests, MR. U'REN MIGHT BE ABLE TO INITIATE A BILL UNDER THIS MEASURE, BUT SCARCELY ANYONE ELSE.

That may have been the object of the bill, to make it difficult to initiate anything, and thus do away with, as far as possible, the danger of the people helping themselves in case the legislature failed.

First there is printed, or required to be printed over the heading of the initiative a warning, that to sign it wrongfully is a felony. AS THE RIGHT TO INITIATE IS A CONSTITUTIONAL ONE, such warnings are ridiculous.

Next all printing in connection with the initiative on any measure, and the campaign arguments for or against it must be done by the state printer at his schedule prices.

Those pamphlets must be in eight-point Roman-faced type, leaded and 25 m's wide, on sized and super-calendered paper fifty pounds to the ream, and sheets 25 by 38 inches.

It would be hard to explain why these campaign arguments should be printed on any better paper than an ordinary newspaper, or in any larger type THAN THE LAWS OF THE STATE, WHICH ARE SET UP SOLID, NOT "LEADED."

If a committee could get these campaign pamphlets set up for 35 cents per thousand, why pay the state printer 55 cents per thousand?

If the committee could get them printed for so much per thousand copies WHY COMPEL THEM TO PAY THE STATE PRINTER BY THE TOKEN?

These pamphlets, which must be paid for by the persons who initiate the bill, at full state printer prices, must then be sent out by the secretary of state "to each voter whose address he may have."

There is no provision by which the secretary of state is required to procure the addresses of the voters, and THERE IS NO CERTAINTY UNDER THIS MEASURE THAT THE PAMPHLETS WOULD GO TO THE VOTERS.

But there is provision that they would cost an enormous amount of money when printed by the state printer.

It is easy to see that a revenue bill that might cover ten to 100 pages, might cost the state ten to twenty thousand dollars to have them printed—one for each voter.

Then it might cost the committee or persons sending out an argument AS MUCH MORE TO HAVE ITS PAMPHLETS PRINTED.

It is clearly a bill to minimize the use of the initiative, as far as possible, and confine its use to the rich and powerful.

A SUBSTITUTE FOR GOLD.

Exalted financiers, the too-good-for-any-use citizens who have constituted themselves the guardians of the purity and sacredness of the "unit of value," in this country called "dollar," are not a little disturbed by the enormous and UNPRECEDENTED QUANTITY OF GOLD THE WORLD IS NOW MINING.

They are wondering if the present custom of the nations to pay \$20 an ounce for all the gold offered at their mints, regardless of its quantity, can be maintained without creating an over-production of "primary money," which would cause a complete readjustment of the value of all other things.

It is feared by those who would keep the volume of "redemption money" within what they consider reasonable bounds that the quantity of gold may grow so large THAT SOME OTHER "METALLIC STANDARD" OF VALUE WILL HAVE TO BE ADOPTED; and exalted financiers think that earth without a metallic monetary standard would be as understandable and unthinkable as heaven without pearly gates, golden streets, halos and harps.

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It is philanthropically intended to mitigate the horrors of the nightmare that occasionally visits the couches of the self-appointed protectors of the virtue of the world's metallic "measure of all values."

CAUSES OF RAILWAY ACCIDENTS.

It is charged that the many appalling railway accidents of late years in this country are due primarily to the tariff protection enjoyed by the makers of steel rails here.

The tariff removes the stimulant of competition with rail makers in other countries, RESULTING IN POORER QUALITY AS WELL AS HIGHER PRICES; and the poor quality of rails is responsible for many of the railway accidents.

This is the theory, in brief, and it is not an unreasonable one. But in the production of poor rails THE TARIFF AND OVER-CAPITALIZATION ARE CO-PARTNERS.

The absence of competition results in indifference to quality of products; but the necessity of paying dividends on a vast sum of purely mythical capital compels low cost and consequently inferior products.

It seems to be well established that inferior rails have been the cause of many accidents, and the most reasonable way to secure standard quality is to make our manufacturers compete with those of other countries, for SUCH COMPETITION WILL AT ONCE IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF DOMESTIC RAILS and make it impossible to pay dividends on mythical capital, which means that it must disappear.

ADVICE FROM HENEY

Says Conviction of Prominent Men Alone Will Stop Land Frauds

Francis J. Heney, land fraud prosecutor, who is now in San Francisco prosecuting the municipal grafters, writes to the Portland Oregonian on the remedy for land frauds in the northwest. Mr. Heney says:

I have very strong convictions in regard to the most beneficial method of handling prosecutions which involve the violation of trust by public officers and criminal transactions by men of high social or political position, or great wealth.

It seems to me that the greatest good to the people comes from the complete exposure of the relations between powerful business interests and the municipal, state and federal political grafters. The people have been in the habit of looking upon a political grafter as merely an individual crook, instead of the representative of business interests who forced him upon a confiding public for the purpose of having him carry out their purpose without caring whether he individually grafts upon the public or not, and usually knowing that he will do so, and has been doing so.

No permanent reformation will be accomplished by putting a few political grafters in jail, although it will doubtless have a very wholesome deterrent effect on others, and particularly so if the grafters sent to jail are men of previously high standing, socially, politically or financially.

The people must learn to look behind the scenes to discover the cause of political graft, if they would secure permanent results. Large business interests are always behind bad municipal government, and likewise behind bad states and national government.

Large business interests brought about the passage by congress of the lieu land act of 1897, and the state of Oregon thereby lost to its citizens millions of acres of the most magnificent timber land in the world, and the prior policy of the national government in relation to those lands was utterly defeated.

Instead of the lands being retained by the national government so that they would gradually be acquired by individuals in small tracts, they became under the lieu land act the spoil of rich predatory corporations which acquired them in such immense tracts that their ownership will always be a menace to the business interests of the citizens of Oregon.

The amount of land acquired from the national government in Oregon through fraudulent methods, such as those adopted by S. A. D. Puter and others, is insignificant when compared with this legislative robbery of the people for which your represent-

atives in congress ought to be held responsible by the people.

The greatest beneficiaries of this legislation were certain large railroad corporations, and some of their friends among the millionaire lumbermen of the middle northwest, who purchased grant land from them at from 10 to 40 cents per acre, and exchanged them under the lieu land act for the finest timber lands which were worth from \$10 to \$40 per acre. When are the people of Oregon and California going to awake to a realization of the fact that their representatives in congress really represent the railroads and other corporate interests, instead of the people?

FRANCIS J. HENEY.

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New York Theatres.

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Just as girls buzz joyfully around Peeskill to scan the summer soldiering, or the soldier summering, as you please, so do admirers of uniforms flock to see Arnold Daly and his troop of troopers in "The Boys of Company B" at the Lyceum theater.

Now that the end of "Salomy Jane," at the Liberty theater for this season is in sight the desire to view that drama grows even stronger. It is sure the good acting of Eleanor Robson will have the reward of applause from crowds for the rest of the engagement.

Not all New York believes the knock-down-and-drag-out form of comedy is the stage's best expression of humor. The great success of Sardou's "Divorcons," at Wallack's theater, is this revival by Grace George shows there are thousands who appreciate delicate art.

In clever grasp of public taste by author and stage manager, "The Parisian Model," at the Broadway theater, is a model for makers of musical comedy. It comes near being one for players, too, in the vivacity of its "star," Anna Held, and her associates in the company.

No play of the season has taken a stronger hold on theater-goers than "The Man of the Hour," at the Savoy theater, and with reason, for it has the merit of timeliness as well as that of dramatic strength.

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 Pork—Best, \$7.
 Lambs—\$6 @ \$6.50.
 Beef—Dressed, 5 @ 6c.
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