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THE CHRISTMAS COURIER.

The Courier will be issued Friday morning next week, and advertisers who desire to avail themselves of the opportunities offered by the Christmas COURIER should get their copy in as early in the week as possible.

THE PUBLIC'S MONEY.

The Courier continues to receive the very distinguished consideration of the Journal.

Which is all right.

But we would suggest to the people who are responsible for the daily appearance of that paper that they sail a little closer to the shore of truth.

For instance, when they say that somebody accused Keene of "acting like a hog," they ought to satisfy themselves that the accused really said that.

And they ought not to say that THE COURIER "ripped the city government up one side and down the other on account of its utter and indefensible extravagance," when THE COURIER didn't do any such thing.

We have on several occasions said that the taxes of this city are too high, and last week we said that a large portion of the money paid into the city treasury is thrown away in useless extravagance.

And the Journal and Mayor Weir to the contrary notwithstanding, we still maintain that the taxes are too high and that much of the public money is wasted.

The Journal is in a position to profit by the city's extravagance, and it is not surprising that it upholds that extravagance. Who ever heard of the Journal advocating economy or genuine reform, anyway?

Whatever is, providing the Journal is not a loser thereby, is right, to our morning contemporary, and it cheerfully throws its protection around established custom, whether the custom is right or wrong.

As for Mayor Weir—it doesn't make any particular difference what he says. The mayor is suffering from paresis, or something equally dreadful, and his remarkable manifestations of one kind or another, in a paroxysm of righteous indignation over Sunday evening sacred concerts at one moment and sheltering criminals the next, rising to the height of supreme idiocy and asking for suggestions from "clergymen, professional men and others," suspending his chief of police, and now exclaiming municipal extravagance, are not entitled to serious consideration.

It's a pity, though, to have such a man at the head of the city government.

Cities are nearly always extravagant. In Lincoln much money is thrown away, not so much because the city officials are wilfully extravagant, as because they follow precedent, and become careless in the disposal of the city's money. No one body or official is alone at fault. Nearly every department of the city is conducted in such a manner that more or less money is expended unnecessarily in the course of the year the little leaks drain away a very considerable sum.

Officials in this city are no worse than those in other places in this respect. Public officials everywhere look upon public money, not so much as a trust fund to be expended in the most economical and judicious manner, as an inexhaustible mine, to be tapped at will for any purpose.

The agitation that has been started in this city is in the interest of good, economical government, and although the Journal will probably continue to throw a wet blanket on the fire at frequent intervals the embers will not be extinguished, and in the near future important results may be realized.

Probably ninety-nine per cent of the people are in favor of lower taxation, and few will dispute the proposition that a decrease in the taxes would not necessarily lessen the efficiency of the city government. Why then, should not the taxes be reduced?

LINCOLN always has a question of the hour. Just now it seems to be something or other about the home of the friendless. We have endeavored to find out what all the disturbance is about; but we have not thus far succeeded. It is something highly important, though.

THE NEWS AND CHEAP MONEY.

The News says: "One of the first principles of political economy teaches that a large supply of money tends to lower interest, while when money is scarce rates go up."

One of the first principles of political

economy is common sense, and our contemporary should get down to first principles when it discusses the money question.

The News says: "THE COURIER, which appears to be a worshipper at the shrine of gold, cannot understand what benefits would accrue to the farmers of Nebraska from an enlarged volume of currency, and is evidently fearful that by some hook or crook of legislation we may get a 'cheap' dollar."

We certainly cannot understand how an enlarged volume of currency, of the spurious kind advocated by the News, would accrue to the benefit of the farmers of Nebraska. In Argentine Republic there was a sudden increase in the volume of currency, and the farmers and everybody else were visited by the most direful calamity. The per capita was large, but the money had lost its stability; credit was destroyed and everybody was poor.

The first consideration when it comes to money as a means of exchange is quality—then quantity.

A "cheap" dollar would be the inevitable result of free silver, which policy the News advocates. The country came near enough to the yawning chasm of free silver legislation during the extra session of congress to make apparent some of the perils hidden therein.

Our contemporary says that the first principle of political economy teaches that a large supply of money tends to lower interest.

Why then, when the banks of New York City, and the financial centers of the country, are loaded down with money, are the loaning companies threatening to increase the rate of interest?

The News will probably say that it is because there is not the same confidence that there was some months ago.

Exactly, and if congress should give us free silver what little confidence there is left would be knocked several times higher than Gilderoy's kite.

There is little doubt but that the country would be benefitted by an increase in the volume of currency, but the increase must come along legitimate lines.

Two half dollars are not any better than one whole dollar.

CONGRESSMAN BRYAN and the so called republican afternoon papers are a unit on the money question. One of the papers also stands with Bryan on the tariff question, and the other hasn't any opinion, either way, on this subject. But they are republican papers, with a big expressive R.

USE FOR HEIRESSSES AT HOME.

The princes and dukes and lords and counts who have married American heiresses have, with scarcely an exception, been outrageous scoundrels or miserable good-for-nothings.

The princes have been paupers, the dukes donkeys, the lords lolly-pops and the counts contemptible cad, or conscienceless cheats.

Without honor, conscience, honesty or reputation, and besmirched with the mire of the moral rotteness in which they have wallowed for years, with mountains of debts and not one cent of money, they have won American heiresses with the glitter of the coronet, and the fascination of the title.

Naturally there has been very little happiness and much trouble in these ill-assorted matches. Just now the newspapers are full of their woes. THE COURIER this week tells of the tribulations of some of the more notable of these American girls who have dropped their money into the lap of the titled foreigner, and exchanged happiness for misery.

If American heiresses insist on marrying paupers, and paying off the debts of scapegrace husbands, it would be much better all around if they would throw themselves into the arms of American instead of foreign tramps.

To be sure they could not secure a title this way; but they would not find in the American pauper-gentleman the distilled essence of untold centuries of dissipation and vice—there would be some hope of reformation.

And then the money would be kept at home. And being right on the ground the mother-in-law might be able to exercise more influence on the young man.

Then if matters came to the worst, it is much easier to obtain a divorce here than in Europe.

So that there is every reason why the American heiresses should, if they persist in marrying paupers, devote themselves to the indigent among their own countrymen.

Give the American genteel tramp a chance. Pay off American, instead of European debts. Keep our American girls and their money at home.

The people who will celebrate this Christmas on an empty stomach and minus overcoats, should take note of the fact that the coming holiday will be a genuine democratic Christmas.

PEOPLE who like to live where there is something going on should go to South America.

As TIME goes on we are more and more pained to observe that Grover Cleveland apparently pays no heed to the declaration in the Call addressed to him. If the whilom genius of the Call, one Fairbrother, were still running that

paper, and Mr. Cleveland were to refuse to notice what was directed at him, he would call the president.

A
Mean
Stuck-up thing
And
Would.
If
He could reach
Far enough,
Slap his face.

THE Ferris wheel has taken up permanent lodgings in Mayor Weir's head.

Side by side they cooing sat
And stroked each other's curls;
But stupid seemed their love, and flat.
Because they both were girls.

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