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THE LARGEST CIRCULATION Of any Cass County Paper.

HON. E. F. WARREN was elected delegate at large from Otoe county to the state convention. If Warren was as good a politician as he is a lawyer he would be the next supreme judge.

SILVER-POPOCRATISM is getting cold comfort out of the rise of wheat and continued decline of silver. The silver dollar now contains only about 38 cents' worth of the white metal.

NEBRASKA IN 1896 raised the largest wheat crop it ever produced and the aggregate did not quite reach 2,000,000 bushels. This year the crop is certain to be not less than 30,000,000 bushels and prices nearly doubled.

THE Journal syndicate weeps bring tears over the turning down of Chapman and Sullivan by the republicans at their primaries in this city. The wail sounds very much like Chapman had written it himself, and since no one else has been found to mourn over the event, we thought it but proper that the matter should have further publicity, hence the mention of it at this time.

COL. SHERMAN should return at once and guide the editorial helm of the Journal. Col. Gering already shows evidence of a tired brain, and Col. Chapman can't be relied on for anything except to fight his personal battles, and his editorials kick backward with more force than forward. Come home, Charley, come home, and don't tarry by the way. Your presence was never needed more than now.

IT IS reported that the czar will soon issue his ukase forbidding the exportation of wheat from Russia and Siberia. This indicates the seriousness of the situation. It is evident that the United States will have to supply Europe's deficiency. India has no surplus of wheat this year on account of the disastrous crop failure of last year, and there is little to be expected from Argentina. If Russia holds her wheat for safety, the market is wholly in the hands of the United States and Canada. Our crop is probably a fair one, but it will not exceed the average. The American farmer is strictly in it this year.—EX.

SENATOR ALLEN is quoted as saying he is so disgusted with the situation in Ohio that he will not render the silver crowd any assistance in its efforts to lay out Mark Hanna, says the Fremont Tribune. The thing that disgusts the senator is the fact that the populists of the Buckeye state will not join the silver democrats and yank their chests from the flames. Senator Allen wears the populist brand, but he is a democrat. He has the hand of Esau, but the voice of Jacob—not of Jacob Coxey. He is pained because his party proposes to make a separate and distinct fight for its principles in Ohio. Perhaps he sees in this the rise of Coxey to a front rank in the populist party and his own displacement as presidential candidate in 1900 by the non-interest-bearing bond statesman of Massillon. Senator Allen better keep a little closer to the middle of the road.

"Some men acquire the title, 'Watchdog of the Treasury,' because they are possessed of nature so cranky and malevolent that they must of necessity object to everything proposed by anyone else.—Daily Journal.

The above doubtless refers to Dr. Cummins and Walter J. White, the only members of the council who lifted a finger against the raid on the treasury made by Matt Goring. Of course, there was no basis upon the matter. The other members of the council, except Heisel, who was not present, voted to pay out \$550 of public money for services that only piled up costs against the city, simply because they wanted to squander public money. That is the inference left by the Journal, which defends this shameful looting of the city treasury. When a man without a pull presents a bill with a legal charge for a few dollars it must be cut down, but a demand by one of the ward bosses for the treasury vaults to be opened to him, that he may take out hundreds of dollars, meets with no opposition except from two members, who are thus mangled by the bosses for daring to say a word on behalf of the taxpayers.

CHEAP rot is the proper name of the political stuff dished up of late by the syndicate editors of the Journal. The talk of dictation, or even attempted dictation by the editor of this paper is so far from the truth, as every man knows who has any political relation with this office, that to even notice the silly charge seems time wasted. The charge is not even made in good faith, but is born of a brilliant (?) scheme on the part of the syndicate editors, who hope to create friction in the ranks of republicans. The plan is too coarse, and only furnishes amusement for those whom it seeks to influence. The republican county ticket nominated at Louisville

was practically agreed upon months ago, on account of the splendid record made by the present officials. Their nomination was demanded by every republican outside of a disgruntled contingent in this city, who no longer dictate what the party shall do, and whose opinions or dislikes are not of the slightest moment. To say that any one man dictated the nomination of this splendid republican ticket is simply to emphasize the astute stupidity of him who says it. As to the fling about the nominee for county clerk, we have known James Robertson for nearly twenty years as an all-time loyal republican and good citizen. He has always treated us fairly, and we desire to see him get as good a vote as any man on the ticket. No Journal editorials written by Dr. Jokyl, alias Mr. Hyde, alias Sam Chapman will change our opinion or intentions, and we are confident they will be similarly greeted by the general public. When a candidate has been nominated that we know to be unfit for the office and unworthy of the confidence of the people we have always opposed such openly, no matter what ticket he was on. The inference that we might knife someone in the back is proven false by years of newspaper work. We don't indulge in that sort of opposition, as a few "state-men out of a job" can abundantly testify.

AS TO GOLD IMPORTATIONS. The view of leading English financiers in regard to the chances of gold importations into the United States are interesting. It is not very important, says this morning's Omaha Bee. The consensus of opinion among them is that there is not likely to be any considerable amount of gold sent from England to this country, though the gold will probably be sent from the continent. The manager of the Bank of England, who speaks with the highest authority, can see no good reason why there should be a flow of gold from that country to this, remarking that the buying of American securities by the United States will tend to equalize matters. Other financiers were not quite so positive in their views, but none of them anticipated large shipments of gold from England.

That there will be importations of gold from Europe there can be no doubt and it is of no great consequence whether any of it comes from England or not. If the British holders of American securities desire to part with them they will be quite as acceptable as the yellow metal, in view of the fact that most of them are likely to be profitable investments for some years to come. Moreover, this country is not in pressing need of more gold. The treasury reserve is large and has recently been growing and the banks are well supplied, so that with little demand for export the United States is in a very safe and satisfactory position even if there should be no importations of gold for some time to come. It is by no means improbable, however, that England will contribute something to increase our stock of the yellow metal, for with increasing prosperity here the chances are that idle British capital will not only go into American securities, but will find other sources of investment. There are possible conditions that will send England gold here which even a Bank of England manager cannot foresee. There is a vast amount of idle money in England some of which will certainly come when assured of the restoration of prosperity.

American currency reformers will doubtless derive some satisfaction and encouragement from the statements of the British financiers that there is still distrust of our financial system abroad. One of them declared that there would be no growth of confidence "until the currency question is settled or there is a prospect of its being settled." If this refers to the proposed revision of the currency along the lines laid down by the Indianapolis conference the question is why English capital should not distrust a financial system that has existed for years during which foreign capital invested in American securities has suffered no injury, so far as our currency is concerned. European investors in our securities have received just as good money as they gave and there is no sound reason to think that they will not continue to do so indefinitely. If the investments have not always been profitable it has been no fault of the currency system, which has been the same in periods of prosperity and periods of depression. If the distrust is due to the fact that there are still free silver advocates in the United States there is small warrant for it. Our monetary standard is secure for at least four years and there is every reason to believe that long before the end of that period is reached the free silver cause will be dead beyond the possibility of resurrection.

PREPARATIONS for the great Nebraska state fair at Omaha are progressing rapidly. The best fair ever held in the state will doubtless be held this fall. Secretary Robert W. Furnace announces that \$40,000 in premiums of good money will be distributed among the masses. The secretary also announces that a \$50 prize will be bestowed upon the railroad ticket agent who sells the largest number of tickets to the fair. Colonel Peckett of the Burlington will stand a good chance of capturing this prize.

THE assassination of another foreign president occurred yesterday. President Idiarte Borda of Uruguay was shot and instantly killed by a youth named Avondondo, who was immediately arrested. This was the third attempt at

assassination in the last six months. This will doubtless cause a revolution in Uruguay, which has long been pending.

AT THE democratic and populist convention in Oioe county fusion was turned down. The democrats placed a ticket in the field, but the pops adjourned after selecting delegates to the state convention and will place their ticket in the field later on.

INFORMATION AND OPINIONS.

J. M. Sjodahl, editor and part-owner of the Desert News of Salt Lake City, has sailed for Sweden with a box of gifts from Scandinavians of the west for King Oscar, who celebrates next month the twenty-fifth anniversary of his accession to the throne. Mr. Sjodahl carries letters of introduction from the governor of Utah.

A good story is told on a Deadwood, S. D., friend of W. J. Bryan. Mr. Bryan's son is at Deadwood today, and his friend telegraphed to J. R. Pheasant, the division superintendent of the Burlington railway, asking him to grant five minutes time at the stations along the line between Edgemont and Deadwood, and received the reply "that the road was too busy hauling McKinley wheat to listen to free silver speeches.—EX.

The disposition of Horace Bies to kick over the traces without the aid or consent of Ioxa renders the position of the driver one of grave peril. As a measure of safety it is proposed to use armor plate for a dashboard.

The girls of Harper, Kan., have inaugurated a crusade there, aimed to elevate the morals of the young men of the place, believing that if the children are improved the mothers and fathers must follow suit. They have taken a pledge not to go with a young man who smokes or drinks or uses profane or vulgar language. There is one other not mentioned in the list, but we suppose it goes with the rest. It is an excellent move on their part and may result in the benighted state. If the young men will re-learn by pledging not to associate with girls who calcimine their faces, chew gum, wear bicycle bloomers and parade the streets while their mothers are breaking their backs over a wash tub or roasting themselves in the kitchen, society in Kansas will be a joy forever.—EX.

In Lamppost Letter Boxes.

"Ever find things in the boxes?" was asked of a postoffice collector who was taking the letters from a lamppost letter box.

"Some, but not such an everlasting lot either," was the reply. "A thief fleeing from his pursuers once dropped a watch in a lamppost letter box so that it would not be found upon his person along the line of his flight, but watches are not commonly found in lamppost letter boxes.

"Once when I came up to a letter box I found standing by it a policeman and a woman. The policeman said that the woman had dropped a dollar bill into the box between some letters and she wanted to get it back. The rules of the postoffice require that anything that may be found in the boxes shall be turned in at the postoffice. The loser must apply for it there. If I had found any money in this box, I should have been compelled to turn it in. But there wasn't any money there. The lady must have lost it or have left it somewhere else.

"As a matter of fact not many things of value are dropped into lamppost letter boxes. Up to now you find a dead mouse in a box occasionally, but that's about all. Children put the mice in the box. They find a dead mouse in the street and think it's funny to put it in a lamppost letter box."—New York Sun.

Valley of the Euphrates.

John Farnest Peters, in his book, "Nippur, or Explorations on the Euphrates," thus describes the valley of the Euphrates: "Below Hit, in the alluvial delta of the two rivers Tigris and Euphrates, existed one of the primal seats of civilization—one of Dame Nature's kindergarten, to teach her children the rudiments of higher life. Out of this valley westward toward the fertile uplands of northern Syria, downward to the rich coast land of the Mediterranean, outward to Cyprus and the isles, southward to the rival valley of the Nile, the road of commerce and conquest had been the Euphrates, and for a large part of the way the Euphrates is no more than a road—a narrow pathway, sunk 100 or 200 feet beneath the plain of a sterile wilderness swarming with wild Arabs. In the earliest ages this was the road that led the conquerors out and over which conquest and civilization traveled hand in hand. Later it became the road by which conquerors entered into the very heart of Babylonia. So it was that Babylonian and Egyptian, Syrian and Assyrian, Persian and Greek, Parthian and Roman, Sassanian and Byzantine, Moslem and Christian, surged back and forth along the highway between the eastern and the western worlds, battling for possession."

Charitable Cheats.

The Chinese are a charitable people, all of whom give freely up to their overflowing. Almost every well-to-do Chinaman is a member of some charitable body. During the terrible plague which fell upon Hongkong some years ago hundreds of coffins were gratuitously provided by the richer of the native race, shant class. But not one of those Hongkong Samaritans thought of sending medical aid to his stricken countrymen. Often in China, you will see some old grave broken open. Those who cared for it and worshipped about it are dead or gone to Australia or California. Usually those broken graves display a crack of mortar or earth we see a large jar of clay, painted green, blue or red. Such jars contain the bones of a sufferer from cholera who has died far from home.

Insure in the German American. Fred Ebinger, Agent.

SPECIAL MARKET LETTER

The following market letter is furnished us by McLain Bros. & Co., Commission Merchants, Rialto Building, Chicago:

The sensational advance in wheat, which the entire country has so absorbed the attention of all classes that, for the moment, all other factors in determining the weal or woe of commercial and industrial affairs are accorded but indifferent consideration. The stock market has felt the diversion of interest, and while there has been a fair reaction from extreme quotations, nothing of an alarming nature has occurred, and the market has ruled fairly steady, with a marked diminution of business.

The wheat markets of the country have ruled active and buoyant under the stimulus of strength at Liverpool, and the operations of the Wall street combination, which have at times been spectacular in effect. So steadily and persistently has it engineered the advance that the majority of experienced local traders have been unable to anticipate its operations, and have in consequence become attentive spectators. The fact that the combination disposed of its holdings around 78c and afterwards sold short, only to cover at a loss, and then inaugurated a bull campaign more aggressive than the first, at much higher prices, puzzles the trade and makes the more conservative element cautious.

The rapid advance, with the attendant excitement and the joyous heralding of dollar wheat throughout the entire country, has so raised the hopes of farmers who but a few weeks ago would have willingly accepted 75c for their crops, that there is a noticeable tendency among those in the winter wheat sections to hoard their grain, thereby rendering the task of bidding up the market much easier.

Although there is an awakened interest in our market and considerable nervous tension in the wheat pit, the volume of business has not been large, and when compared with other seasons of such phenomenal advances is small. There is not a great short resisting the advance, which is chiefly caused by the inability of would-be purchasers to secure wheat when they bid for it; the sales are largely by holders having profits.

During periods of such excitement but little attention is paid to any news that does not stimulate buyers, and everything of that nature is unduly magnified, the result being that finally trade becomes restricted through the necessity of demanding liberal margins to protect open traders; this state of affairs now exists, and is driving many who would like to trade in wheat into corn, where a moderate capital will suffice, and where the attendant risks are much less.

There is nothing especially new in foreign advices to note, except that Liverpool has been as excited as American markets; being the greatest European speculative center, it has felt the speculative impulse more than any other, the more stable foreign markets, while following ours moderately, have responded tardily. Paris being particularly reluctant, a noteworthy feature of the situation is that, while the world is buying wheat on the French shortage more than on any other one factor, that the prominent French market, instead of leading the advance above 80c, is but a lagging follower. Crop news from Europe confirm previous claims of wheat shortage, but show favorable conditions for other food crops, while the advance in southern hemisphere countries state that the prospects for good wheat crops are excellent.

Domestic advices are conflicting as to the spring wheat promise, some reports being sensationally discouraging while others are glowing; a fair statement of facts would probably indicate that the northwest crop is uneven in yield and in quality, but that the yield and in quality of the wheat of the largely increased acreage, it will be abundant.

The excitement in wheat has greatly increased the interest in corn and oats, the former being the center of attraction for an increasing number of traders; the difficulty in operating in wheat and the prevailing belief that the former cannot maintain its present position without enhanced value of the latter is contributing to its attractiveness. The bull clique having extended its operations to both corn and oats, of which it has bought liberally, adds to the growing bullishness of the market, and an active campaign in these cereals seems to have begun. The export movement, which is unusually large, prevents the daily liberal volume of receipts from becoming burdensome, and the general belief in higher prices creates demand enough to absorb the surplus offerings of cash property, while the advance in southern hemisphere countries state that the action of wheat, what support it had from the fear of frost for the present having vanished. There are complaints of a shortage of moisture in some sections, and there is a general expression of a belief in recent deterioration of the growing crop.

The visible supply of grain in the United States and Canada shows the following changes for the past week: Wheat decreased 497,000 bu, corn increased 3,449,000 bu and oats increased 1,425,000 bu.

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