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out stint, but it has never been said that he is cautious or conservative.

Not many months ago some society people in Omaha gave an amateur circus performance in the great Coliseum in that city. Mr. Bryan was asked to take the showy part of ringmaster, and he consented. For two nights he appeared before the wealth and beauty of Omaha in the traditional top boots and high hat of the master of the ring, and he cracked his whip in a way that made teamsters on the back seats salute him. He was an excellent ringmaster. Besides standing on a platform and cracking his whip he made jokes, and he cracked his jokes with the same facility that he cracked his whip. People said Mr. Bryan alone was worth the price of admission. He was happy then, and all smiles, and when the people applauded his sallies he was almost as pleased as he is now when the crowds cheer him. He entered into the circus project in the same headlong manner that he has started in the race for the presidency. He cared nothing for dignity or the fitness of things then. He cares nothing for these now. His object was to create an effect then. That is his object now. Close observers cannot see that there is much difference in the way he conducted the circus and the way in which he is conducting his campaign. It may be that his circus experience in Omaha is what caused him to request that the ceremony of notification be held in Madison Square Garden, New York, instead of at his home in this city.

Mr. Bryan is honest, and his friends admire him for that and for his great gifts, but they have been surprised at the light manner with which he is playing with what seems, in his hands a mere bauble, a nomination for the presidency of the United States. His picturesque trip from Salem to Lincoln, his repeated speeches and continued publicity in advance of the official notification of the nomination, his boyish and ill-considered phrases all mark him as an excited youth rather than an earnest man in training for the highest office in the gift of a great nation. There are other little things, not important in themselves, that detract from the dignity and poise which should distinguish a man in Mr. Bryan's position. He is feverish in his haste. He is nervous and excitable. He is unable to stay in one place any length of time or continue at one task. He wants to be up and going to and fro. He wants to have a hand in all that is doing. On the way home he was the first man to appear on the platform, hat in hand, and ready to speak at the little towns before the wheels had stopped turning. When visitors arrive from out of the city, instead of receiving them quietly at his residence, he makes a hurried trip downtown, carrying his wife with him, and holds a reception in a hotel.

All of these things are, perhaps, insignificant, and in no way affect the purity of his character, but Mr. Bryan's bearing is not what we have learned to expect in the presidential candidates of great parties. The people here like Mr. Bryan, but he fails to command serious respect. Observing the traits which have markedly prominent since he was made the nominee in Chicago, one seems to be forced to the conclusion that his personal qualities, admirable though they may be, are not such as to especially fit him for the discharge of the duties of chief executive of a nation of 70,000,000 of people. Youth is a fine thing, and it

is good that youth has so large a share in the government of this country. But in this nation, where positions of importance are given to young men, it is expected that they will exhibit a sobriety of thought and conduct. The late William E. Russell was a young man, a very young man when he was first elected governor of Massachusetts, but he was always looked upon as a safe man. The public had confidence in his judgment. There was no fear of rash steps. Mr. Bryan in his private life is just as exemplary as was Mr. Russell. He has never been accused of a dishonest act. No taint or stain of reproach has ever attached to his reputation as a man. But in temperament the boy orator is exactly the opposite of the boy governor. He is lacking in those qualities that made Russell a leader in the democratic party while he was a boy in years. Russell was brave and daring and he had enthusiasm, but he was not spasmodic or fidgety. He had self-poise, dignity and a certain amount of mental and physical reserve. He won his laurels by the possession of many qualities of strength. Mr. Bryan was nominated for president as the result of a few minutes of impassioned and reckless eloquence.

So far in his public speeches, Mr. Bryan has avoided all reference to any issue other than the free coinage of silver at the ratio of sixteen to one. He is not proud of the Chicago platform and his object is to gloss over the rough places and hide the viciousness of unbridled Altgeldism and Tillmanism, and delude the people with the idea that the only question involved in his candidacy is whether there shall be free coinage of silver. Nobody realizes more fully than Mr. Bryan what the supremacy of the element that framed the resolutions adopted in Chicago would mean, and it is not surprising that he is trying to bunco the public.

The truth is that the Chicago platform means tumult and disorder, whichever way you take it. The planks attacking the supreme court and defending Altgeld tend directly to governmental upheaval, while the free coinage plank foreshadows the same result, to be achieved in a different manner.

The peace and prosperity of our people depend on the security and stability of our financial and commercial regulations. Mr. Bryan is the advocate of a policy, whose immediate effect would be to destroy all values, send railway companies like the C. & O. and the Pennsylvania into the hands of receivers, stop all construction, paralyze manufacturing, bankrupt banks and life insurance companies and entail hardships on the people of this country such as they have never experienced. Nearly every free coinage man is ready to admit that the first result of Mr. Bryan's election would be the biggest panic this country has ever seen and this of itself is having a powerful influence in keeping sensible men out of Mr. Bryan's party. People of means have had about all the trouble they can stand already and they are not going to vote to precipitate disaster. Workingmen, the people who work by days' wages, can hardly be fooled into voting for a policy that would send money into seclusion and take from the people the opportunity to labor. But this panic and upheaval that would last for years, would not be all.

Do the people of this country want to exchange, permanently, their condition for the lot of the non-Mexican who, if he works by the day, gets from 10 to 30 cents? Do they want to be placed on an equality with the people of non-progressive, slave-ridden countries? The fact is indisputable that in every country where silver is free men are slaves. Squalor and misery go hand in

hand, and starvation haunts the poor man's door. In the countries where men are most enlightened, where men are free, and the people are prosperous, the value of money rests upon something more substantial than a legislative fiat. The free coinage of silver is a glittering delusion that hides a world of misery. Why this sentimental attachment for silver? What is there in this one metal that men should be drawn out as to a Will-o'-the-Wisp, and in order to get for it a fraudulent, fictitious, fiat value, seek to overturn a nation's prosperity, and destroy a nation's honor? Why is it that these people do not ask the government to take a half dollar's worth of glass or putty or tin or celluloid or iron and stamp it and give it back, backed by a law that says it shall henceforth be worth 100 cents? The theory of free silver appeals to human cupidity, rather than to human reason, and the people of this country are not knaves. Neither are they fools. Mawkish sentiment and open dishonor never elected a man president of the United States and they never will.

THE EDITOR.

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