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"If any man must fall for me to rise, Then seek I not to climb. Another's pain I choose not for my good. A golden chain, A robe of honor, is too good a prize To tempt my hasty hand to do a wrong. Undo a fellow man. This life hath we had, wrought by man's frantic foe; And who that hath a heart would dare prolong Or add a sorrow to a stricken soul? That seeks a healing balm to make it whole? My bosom owns the brotherhood of man."

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LET the annual meeting of the Alliance be well attended.

A COLONY of "Altruists" is just starting in California about 100 miles from San Francisco.

A CO-OPERATIVE colony on the Bellamy plan is to be organized on the shores of Lake Michigan not far from Chicago next spring.

JOHN BURNS, the London labor leader is now in this country and will attend the annual meeting of the American Federation of Labor at Denver.

We call attention again to the call of the annual meeting of the Nebraska Farmers Alliance. All who can possibly attend that meeting should do so. Combination is the order of progress, and those who stand alone will be crushed.

It is called a great victory for the Republican party; but it was in fact a defeat of all its supporters except the candidates for office and the corporations who will use them.

In our official figures of election two weeks ago an error marked in the proof was not corrected by the compositors. Mr. Powers' vote was just 1,000 more than we gave it.

Hon. W. F. WRIGHT of this city, the Alliance and Populist leader, has a new book almost ready for the press with the following general title: Meteorology: Old Principles in New Form as Applied to Atmospheric Phenomena.

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HOW TO KEEP MONEY CIRCULATING

George C. Ward has written a book entitled, "A Better Financial System, or Government Banks." If he had left out the word "better" it would have been better; because, we have no financial system at all. Money is called the blood of commerce, the circulating medium; but it refuses to circulate.

We are in danger of being side-tracked and led away from the main question by those who give their attention chiefly to what money shall be made of. The money we now have, gold, silver, greenbacks and banknotes, is not good because it refuses to circulate, and refusing to circulate prices fall, and in falling virtually rob millions of men of the wealth they have created.

In nature there is an exact balance of forces. The force that throws the planets whirling away from the sun, is balanced by a force which draws them back in an orbit which keeps motion perpetual and each makes the round complete.

Or if a per cent of the gravitating matter of the bodies of the solar system were to be dragged into the sun during each revolution they made, how long would it take for us to lose the earth and all our fee-simple titles to it?

Now this difference between the supply of goods and the supply of money in the hands of those who need the goods, is the difference which must be accounted for and removed before we can have a just and uniformly and perpetually working commercial system.

To increase the volume of the outstanding currency by the paying out of gold, silver or greenbacks, while only a very small fraction of the people can get employment of the government, leaves the question of how the rest of the people are to live who can neither borrow nor buy money unsettled.

There is but one way that money can be kept of uniform value and in reach of all who wish to labor. A financial system providing money always to meet the needs of the people and sustaining the volume of exchanges in a steady and ever-increasing flow, bringing a lasting era of prosperity to all who labor, can be provided only by means of government banks, which shall loan money to the people upon the security they now give, good and ample, in such quantity as each and all can make use of in employing labor.

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needs everywhere, the general government being secured by the taxpayers of each county. These public banks would provide a perfectly safe place for all to deposit all surplus cash, and when deposits equalled the demand of borrowers the volume of money issued would just meet the needs of the people.

The government banks above proposed to furnish currency at cost and safe places of deposit for the surplus money of individuals, is the greatest reform before the American people.

THE PATRIOTISM OF BANKS

The New York World illustrates its columns with a two column out of John A. Stewart, president of the United States Trust Company, and tells that he made a round million dollars handling the \$50,000,000 bonds just sold to a syndicate of bankers.

"It was a matter which caused me a good deal of worry and a good deal of anxiety. The first point after I had made up my mind to help the government was to look about and find out where the gold was."

Notwithstanding the low rate of interest, "there was a rush of people," says Stewart, "whom it was hard for me to refuse." But with his associates he succeeded in keeping out the crowd of bankers with gold who wanted to "help the government" too.

It's a fortunate thing all round, that the bonds are held by one party. When they come into the market there can be no cutting of prices.

Yes, it was a great financial scheme, to save the country. First get fifty million greenbacks and with them lay in a stock of gold, dollar for dollar.

OUR co-operative movement is progressing. Next week we shall call a meeting of all interested in it.

A CONFERENCE OF CO-OPERATORS

The articles which have from time to time appeared in THE WEALTH MAKERS on the question of uniting our means and energies to provide work and wealth for all and to teach others the way of salvation from selfishness, have awakened much interest and there is a general expressed desire that as many of us as can do so come together to talk over the matter face to face, and to find out who are ready to join themselves together in a Christian corporation.

We therefore call all those who are moved to join such corporation and all who are in any degree interested in the subject to meet with us at Lincoln, as many as can possibly do so, on Saturday and Sunday, December 15th and 16th, to discuss what we ought to do and can do.

The questions before us will be: First—The duty of co-operation under the law of love.

Second—The evils of selfish competition and monopoly, and the various economies and benefits and blessedness of corporation.

Third—The means we have and are ready to put into the proposed corporation to work with.

Fourth—The Nebraska law regarding corporations, and the form of articles to record that will give us and our collective property and labor the production of the courts.

Fifth—The constitution and by-laws we shall adopt, providing for the various departments of labor and directors or overseers to be chosen year by year to have charge of each.

Sixth—The provision for those who can not at once be provided work except to continue where they are, doing what they are now doing, enabling them to be members of the corporation by booking their earnings or income and adopting the corporation standard of living, which will be an equal division of the common product or product of all, after taxes are paid, increase in capital provided for, and the common missionary fund set apart.

Seventh—The plans for immediate brotherhood labor, the economic and increased effectiveness possible with the means and men united.

The editor of THE WEALTH MAKERS will read a paper at the opening meeting. Other papers may be read, but it will not be a set program.

But yet, the basis of the whole is noble love of soul for soul: Beyond the sway of stormy weather, Untouched by shock of mortal jars, Where two clasp hands and stand together, And conquer darkness like the stars; Whilst the sweet claims of me and thee Wake myriad strains of harmony— Divine, diviner harmony.

ARE WE EQUAL TO IT?

"Thou art not in mortals to command success, But we'll do more Sempronius; we'll deserve it." —ADMON.

That party will succeed which has a clear grasp of the most pressing needs of the people and definite, adequate, reasonable legislation to propose, legislation which the people can be made to see is needed.

NOT A "DEMO-POP" GOVERNOR. Trades of a political sort depend for success on their secrecy; and secrecy, if success results, can last only till the time when the spoils are divided.

The Populist party in Nebraska in the recent campaign has been under suspicion of fusion. The Democrats openly courted us, and the Republicans with great campaign effect have attributed to us the loose morals of a spoils engagement.

The Democrats in convention refused to endorse our party principles, but endorsed the larger part of our candidates. We have been nick-named "demo-pops" by the local Republican press.

Our ticket during the campaign and since election has been called the fusion ticket by such papers as the Rocky Mountain News and the Chicago Times, and they reported long ago through their Nebraska correspondents that a fusion deal was arranged.

The Populist party is the Greenback party under a new name and with a very considerable increase of knowledge and numbers.

While the above facts, charges, reports, appearances and suspicions have done us great injury as a party, we have for the most part stood well the test of temptation. The great pressure to get us to

late freely? What is to prevent the bankers getting hold of it and holding it for a high rate of interest?

If we fail to answer these questions satisfactorily most people will continue to believe that gold, or gold and silver, and paper promises to pay coin, are safer and better money than what is called an "irredeemable" paper currency, a currency whose volume is to be limited only by the uncertain wisdom or honesty of a majority of the members of Congress.

They have never thought out and comprehended the plan of providing government banks in place of the private banks which demand usury tribute for all money borrowed. They are frightened away from our principal means of deliverance, viz., the loaning of money at cost direct to all the people with security, instead of as now to bankers alone, who themselves have no use for it at all.

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first nominate some Democrats, Lusk, Hart, Robinson and others, and later to pull off our men in favor of Democrats, was resisted. Some few of our leaders are half Populist and half Democrat; some others, good and well-meaning, believed they saw a chance to get something for nothing and did too much talking with the Democratic leaders; but, on the whole, we have saved our character, while being injured merely in our reputation by some appearance of political flirting.

We succeeded in electing the head of our ticket, and now it will be manifest very soon whether Judge Holcomb allowed any strings to be tied to him before election. Harpers Weekly has published a cut of him and called him Nebraska's Democrat governor, and the Review of Reviews says he is "hardly a typical Populist." But the proof of his being an uncompromising, non-trading Populist will appear when his appointments are made.

He did not buy Democratic support with pre-election pledges, or mutual understandings. He will have no such obligations to meet, we are confident. The People's party will not be disappointed in their leader. He was not nominated by the steering hands of a few leaders who followed the advice and pressure of old party politicians. He is not a "demo-pop" governor.

A THEORY THAT IS MI-LEADING

Did you ever reflect that the total value of money in any country could not be increased or diminished? If you double the number of dollars you will halve the purchasing power of each dollar.—Nonconformist.

Yes, Brother Stockwell, we have reflected all around that proposition, and we discovered several years ago that it is not true. The total value of the money of a country can be increased. What you state would be true if the conditions which you presuppose were true or possible, viz., that the wealth of the country stands still or may stand still while the volume of the currency is being increased.

A theoretical issue of money for which nothing is paid and no wealth is created, is absurd. No one proposes such an issue. No one could obtain money that way. And money if issued for value received to give employment to men who otherwise would produce nothing, would be so much increase to both the wealth of the country and the total value of the currency.

Why then assert that the value of the currency cannot be increased, and with such false premise have to admit, as a consequence, that our proposed increase in the volume of the currency would proportionately reduce the value of the dollar and scale every debt? Whatever injustice to the debt class currency contraction of the 70's caused, is done. We are not a debtor party, a class party, making war on creditors, but we call for a currency so issued as to set all in enforced idleness at work; and with money obtainable always for its face value, at labor cost (without interest), everybody can be kept at work and all present debts be paid off in dollars worth as much as the dollars that were borrowed.

Mr. Cleveland's message has been given to congress and the country. In it he discusses or touches on our foreign policy, our relations with Brazil, Japan, China, Ecuador and other countries; the action of the German government prohibiting the importation of American meats, and our largely improved duty on German and other imported sugars, recommending the repeal of the latter; comments with gratification on the Paris award in the matter of the Bering Sea seal controversy with Great Britain; refers to our interests in Mexico and Central America; talks about Spain and its unjust claims imposed on our vessels and commerce; also about Samoa; gives the deficit in the year's national income at \$69,803,260.

58; the facts regarding "our little army"; and would have it increased in numbers; says he had to put down the A. R. U. strike by military force; reports "this great national undertaking upon which we have entered" (to defend our coasts—

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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