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The Jew says he was approached by a "gentleman" Sunday. Verily, truth is stranger than fiction.

Wonder if Charlie Hamilton realizes that the Jew is whetting a knife to a razor edge to be used in his political anatomy at the next county populist convention.

The last pamphlet North-Western Reporter gives six cases passed upon in this district by Judge Kinkaid and appealed to the supreme court. They were all affirmed.

The Jew professes great solicitation for the interests of O'Neill business men in matters relating to county division. It has been less than six months since this same Jew threatened to have his pals come in and burn the town, and the business men have not forgotten about it.

The county board of Dodge county hired a man to do the work of the county attorney and a tax payer appealed from the allowance of his fees, just as was done with Harrington in this county. We suppose the Scott gang is responsible for the action of the Dodge county tax payer.

When a man undertakes to do anything by the law he must be governed by the law. Mike Harrington is entitled to no sympathy on account of the protesting of his claims filed for attorney fees. Harrington is a lawyer and knew when he undertook the job that the law would not grant him compensation.

The Atkinson Graphic has cut us from its exchange list. We have no idea what overt act of ours has merited the duke's displeasure, and therefore know not upon what lines to seek forgiveness. Some day when we receive the boodle that haunts the mind of Bro. Bates we will subscribe for the dictator's sheet, but in the interim we will worry along without it as best we may.

The following from a Pierce county paper is interesting: "Pierce county purchased a poor farm and prepared for a grand opening. The board of supervisors gave notice that all persons dependent upon the county for assistance should appear at the farm on a given day, and lo! not a pauper came in sight, whereas the list of those receiving aid from the county had numbered 105 for the year. The above story contains food for the profitable consideration of other county boards."

The Sun has again staggered upon the truth. Delegations of business men have waited upon THE FRONTIER, but they said nothing about county division. They all brought large orders for job work, which we are executing with characteristic neatness and despatch. The business men of O'Neill know THE FRONTIER has been their friend through the ups and downs of fifteen long, weary years, and they are not the class of people to be led astray by the delirious ravings of boycotters and incendiaries.

The Beacon Light is authority for the statement that Tom Golden, Henry Murphy and Tom Carlon are candidates for district judge subject to the action of the next pop convention. If long and faithful party service count for anything either Murphy or Carlon will secure the nomination, as they have been long in the middle of the dusty road, while it was only last fall that Golden, with regrets, left his old friend McHugh and openly identified himself with the pops. Golden will get the nomination.

Judicial anarchy and usurpation is worse than treason. Let this district have more of it.—Beacon Light.

It is truly appalling to note how swiftly a man degenerates when once seated upon the toboggan, but it is not difficult to trace step by step his course in his downward career. In this particular case came the advocacy of open anarchy and rebellion, then the theory that dead men are the easiest to handle, and now the slogan is "judicial anarchy" and the Jew wants "more of it." Better promote to the district bench some jurist from "the court of last resort in the Niobrara district."

In the last issue of Scott's FRONTIER it again resorts to its misrepresentations and slander of M. F. Harrington and incidentally the county board. THE FRONTIER for several years never has told the truth except by mistake. In its article it charges that at the last meeting of the county board it voted him \$1,600 besides a lot of money voted him by the legal committee. The charge is as false as ever THE FRONTIER could make it.—Beacon Light.

The Beacon Light persists in misquoting us, although it is to the disadvantage of its own cause to do so. A man may gain a point by such rascality but it is dearly bought and will result in but temporary advantage at best. We did not use the language credited to us, but said:

We are informed that the county board has allowed Attorney Harrington fees to the amount of about \$1,500, be-

sides considerable cash paid him by the legal committee.

Does the reader notice in the extract any place where we said "that at the last meeting of the board of supervisors it voted him \$1,600 besides a lot of money paid him by the legal committee?" Certainly not. We said he had been allowed claims to the "amount of about \$1,500."

Then, in order to enlighten its readers and tell them just how it was, the Beacon Light made a statement purporting to cover all the bills allowed, and cash received by Harrington. They foot up exactly \$1,500.

In an attempt to convict us of falsifying the Jew has with his own pencil written our vindication.

Other men have toiled in the vineyard, snatched the pop party from the grave and decay, but old Kautzy denies them the privilege of reaping and insists that all spoils come his way. Now McHugh did not work for the glory, or sweat great drops just for fun: he had his eye on the job work and expected from Hamilton a share of the "mon." But Kautzy kicks on the divy, says the claim of McHugh is mere mud; that he alone bore the cross and suffered most from the fire and the flood. He whets his razor on the hone of his anger, and swears by the beard of the prophet true that he will have the pap of his party—and how do you like it McHugh?

### INCONSISTENCY.

The worst inconsistency of the advocate of free coinage is the ratio at which he insists silver must be coined. He wants it coined at 16 to 1. That is, he would put sixteen times as much weight in a silver dollar as is put in a gold dollar. On this basis, before either piece of metal is converted into stamped money, the piece of gold would sell in any market in the world for 100 cents, whereas the piece of silver would bring but little over 50 cents.

It is clear that the silver 50 cent piece must be made by law interchangeable with and practically redeemable by the government in the full value gold dollar; otherwise the two dollars would not circulate side by side. Yet this silver theorist rails at the government for keeping a gold reserve to make this 50-cent silver money pass for 100 cents.

If silver advocates want to coin all the silver in the world why do they not propose to put 100 cents' worth of silver into the silver dollar? It would then stand alone, and until silver declined they could, without disturbance give the metal the "wide use" to which they claim it is entitled.

The writer does not believe in nor advocate the practicability of this policy, but speaks from the silver standpoint. And such policy would be more honest, and somewhat less dangerous than the plan proposed, though it would doubtless soon result in the disasters of the Sherman law.

In former ages and periods silver was in great request as a money medium, because the supply was very limited. But modern discoveries, appliances and inventions have so increased and cheapened the product that it is fast ceasing to be of value as a money metal. While in former ages it was turned out by the pound, it is now turned out by the ton and the ship load. At one period of the world copper was used as money, and would doubtless have continued in use to the present but for the fact that it became so abundant that it ceased to be a precious metal.

It is not easy for people now to accept the idea that silver may for the same reason eventually cease to be useful for monetary purposes. That time has not yet, and may never come, but it cannot be said to be a remote possibility.

It is foolish to go on theorizing about the cause of its decline, and the methods that would raise its value, when it is becoming so abundant that warehouses, instead of strong boxes, must be provided for its storage. The commercial law of supply and demand regulates its price exactly as it regulates the price of every other known product, and it is not within the power of all the legislative bodies in the world to permanently and materially raise or depress its value.

Whether they all "demonetize" or "remonetize" makes in the long run small difference. The law of supply and demand has small respect for the edicts of legislative solons.

Happily, however, for other nations, and for the general good of mankind, the United States is the only country on earth dominated by the mine owners of a few sparsely settled states. England, France and Germany have a few visionaries, but their legislative bodies are not bullied by a powerful lobby of millionaires with train loads of silver for sale.

All efforts looking to free coinage bi-metalism by international agreement are wasted. The credits of Europe, amounting to thousands of millions of dollars, are based on a safe and permanent standard. Its disturbance would result in disaster and calamity, such as would shake to the foundations every throne and government on the continent. No step will be taken in the direction of such danger. And it is probable that even some free silver mine owning senators are not quite so blind as to be unable to see the folly of expecting any move abroad in that direction. But they will clamor all the more for renewed and enlarged "recognition" at home, on a basis of 16 to 1, for their beloved metal.—Dollars or What.

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