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ACCORDING to the latest ruling of a democratic court in Missouri, a public officer is guilty of embezzlement only when it can be shown that he did not intend to return the money. In other words an action will not lie against him until after he dies and it is found that he has made no provision for the restoration of what he has stolen.

NOTWITHSTANDING the infamous McKinley bill a bushel of corn or potatoes will buy four times as much sugar and other luxuries of life as it did a year ago, when the free trader was telling us that the object of the republican party in passing the bill was to favor the rich at the expense of the poor—all kinds of farm products are higher while all kinds of manufactured goods are lower. Aurora Republican.

The big exportations of gold which we have been making to Europe for the past few weeks show that that section of the world needs the metal more than this section does. Thus far no material damage has been done here by the transfer. Rates for money have been advanced a little, and some of the calamity prophets are coming to the front to level-headed bankers and experienced financiers, though the situation is not at all alarming.

There are many reasons just now why gold should be demanded in the money centers of Europe. While the McKinley law was pending many importers loaded up with foreign goods, expecting to reap a great harvest. These bills are now due. The embarrassment of the great banking house of Baring Bros caused millions of American securities to be sent home for redemption. The Emperor of Russia threatening to recall his reserve from English and German banks has also caused a flutter. All these, combined with the demand of impetuous kingdoms, makes the demand for gold, and America has it to spare. But the fact remains that the millions of bushels of grain, and the cattle upon a thousand hills, and cotton, and wealth of our farms and workshops will turn it all back in due time. Inter Ocean.

BETTER TRY AGAIN. The Chicago Tribune is keeping up its tirade against the protection policy of the republican party, and daily makes an exhibition of its senile condition in attributing all the reverses the republican party has sustained to the McKinley tariff law. Its allusion to the leading men who framed that law and were responsible for its passage as having been repudiated by the people is evidence of the utter disregard for truth which seems to have obtained a place in the Tribune sanctum. Major McKinley himself received last fall the most remarkable endorsement a man could obtain. In a rock-ribbed democratic district, constructed by an infamous gerrymander for the very purpose of defeating him, and having a clear democratic majority of 2,500, he came out in the minority by only several hundred. Thomas B. Reed, too, was another man whose great energies were devoted, from the beginning of the Fifty-first congress, to paving the way for the passage of the protective tariff law, although not an active member in framing it; and he, too, was returned to the Fifty-first congress by a majority unprecedented in his district. Then there is our own congressman, Julius C. Burrows, who had for his opponent the most pronounced free trader in Michigan, the very oracle of the free trade party in this part of the country, George L. Yaple, and yet Mr. Burrows in spite of the landslide that swept through Michigan, due to various causes, escaped and was returned to congress, while others of the republican faith less prominent in the passage of the McKinley law went down in the tidal wave. The Tribune should take another position from which to discharge its treacherous shots at the republican party. The present attitude is ridiculous.—Kalamazoo Telegraph.

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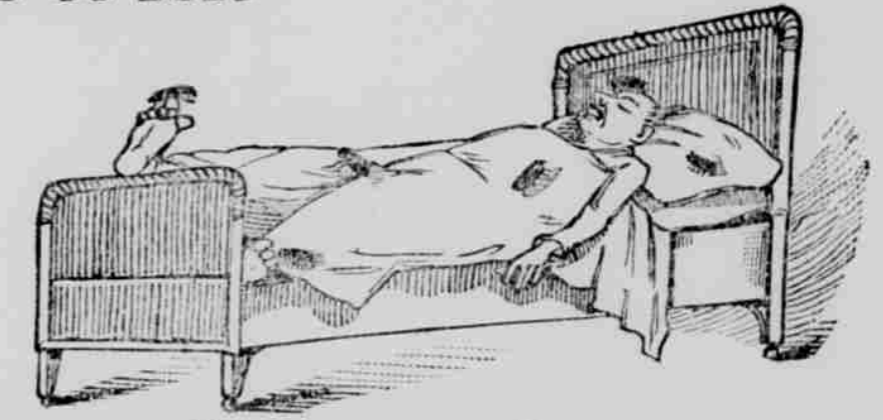
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