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# Commoner Comment.

THE MONROE DOCTRINE.

On another page will be found the Monroe doctrine as given to the world by the president whose name it bears. It was not intended, nor has it been used, to shield the republic of Central and South America from the performance of international duties and obligations. It is more in the nature of a homestead or exemption law. It is considered good policy to protect the family homestead from seizure and sale under execution and the law is defended on the theory that the state, if it must choose between the two, is more interested in the preservation of the home than in the collection of a debt. In like manner the United States declares that the maintenance of the integrity of the southern republics is paramount and while the collection of just debts will not be prevented, if collectible in ordinary ways, no execution shall issue against the national homesteads of South and Central America. How important this doctrine is can be judged from two incidents within the memory of all. During Mr. Cleveland's last administration England claimed a part of Venezuela in a boundary line dispute. Venezuela wanted to arbitrate and England refused to submit the question to arbitration; then our nation told England she ought to arbitrate and she replied in a diplomatic way that it was none of our business. Then the Monroe doctrine was called into use and England was informed that in case of her refusal to arbitrate our nation would independently conduct an investigation, ascertain the boundary line and then insist upon the recognition of that line. Thus we protected Venezuela from an unjust demand that she could not, if left to her own strength, have resisted.

uJst now several European nations are united in making a pecuniary demand upon Venezuela. One of the allies has, without excuse or pretence of justification, sunk the Venezuelan navy and shelled a fort—thus wantonly destroying property. But for the guardianship of the United States Venezuela would be in danger of being divided up among greedy European land-grabbers; but for the Monroe doctrine all the South American republics would be in danger of being forcibly annexed to the monarchies of the old world, and we have some Americans so destitute of American spirit as to think that such a change would be desirable, but these unworthy citizens—call them monarchists, plutocrats, aristocrats, or what you will—are fortunately comparatively few in number. The great mass of the people, irrespective of party, believe in the Monroe doctrine—the national homestead law—and will not permit any surrender of it.

eNither is it necessary for the southern republic or our country to bear the burden of enormous navies to enforce this doctrine. Our nation has reached a position where its strength is recognized and if we did not have a single battleship the Monroe doctrine would not be molested. A few ships are necessary for the training of officers and seamen, but there is no more reason for our loading ourselves down with an enormous navy than there is for an individual to break himself down carrying arms for his own protection. The Monroe doctrine was asserted and defended without a big navy when our nation was feeble as compared with European nations and we do not need a large navy to defend the doctrine now. The administration has properly insisted upon arbitration in the present dispute and there is no doubt that arbitration will be resorted to, and in the finding Venezuela should be awarded damages for the malicious destruction of her fleet and the unnecessary shelling of her forts.

A Massachusetts reader of The Commoner calls attention to the fact that the cost of living has, during recent years, increased more rapidly than the rate of wages, and complains, justly, too, that the masses are not receiving their share of the boasted prosperity. He asks whether any legislation on the money question would furnish a complete remedy.

Those who advocate bimetallism do not insist that the restoration of free coinage would cure all the ills which afflict the body politic; it is not put forward as a panacea. As a matter of fact, the forces that are at work in society are so numerous that no one cause is entirely responsible for conditions complained of. It is for this reason that the discussion of public questions is so difficult and the confusion of the public mind so easy. The most that can be said in favor of any system is that, other things being equal, it would improve conditions, but as other things are not equal, the good done by one policy may be off-set by the injury done by another. There is, however, a general principle running through the policies of a party, and those who apply the principle to one question are apt to apply it to others.

Democrats believe that a high tariff is responsible for the fact that a large amount of money has been transferred from the pockets of the consumers to the pockets of the protected industries. The farmers sell in the open market and buy at prices artificially fixed. Democrats also believe that a large amount of money has been transferred from the masses to the speculative classes by the watering of railroad stocks, the people being compelled to pay rates sufficient to realize dividends on money never invested, but represented by stocks and bonds that have been issued.

Democrats also believe that the gold standard has transferred a large amount of money from the producers to the money changers. This condition has been relieved for the time being by an unexpected discovery in the supply of gold, but the financiers are still at work attempting to overcome by legislation the benefit which the masses have received from an increasing quantity of money.

Democrats believe that the national banking system has enabled the financiers to make a large amount of money from the people by means of the law that permits national banks to draw interest on the bonds (the interest being paid by the people through taxation) and at the same time receive back in bank notes the money represented by the bonds. If the money were issued by the government instead of by the banks the people would save the interest paid on the bonds.

The democrats believe that the trusts through their power to monopolize the market, are collecting tribute from all the people, and building up enormous fortunes in the hands of a few. The trusts use the tariff wall as a bulwark, and also use the railroads to obtain an unfair advantage over competitors.

The democrats further believe that an imperialial policy, aside from the un-American principle involved, taxes the masses to support a colonial policy, while a few syndicates and office-holders make all the profit.

There are otner matters that need attention, among which are extravagance and government by injunction. Extravagance is due to the fact that tne tax-eaters have more influence with the republican leaders than the taxpayers; government by injunction is used by the corporations to secure an advantage over their employes.

These are some of the causes that are at work, and the elimination of one cause would not work an entire cure; but there is a remedy for each evil, and these remedies are but the application to each question of the maxim of "equal rights to all and special privileges to none."

Those who favor the applying of this maxim to one question as a rule favor its application to other questions, while those who resist reform on one line are apt to resist it on other lines. While circumstances may make one issue paramount at one time or another issue paramount at another time, the democratic party must stand ready to apply democratic principles to all questions, and to protect the people's rights wherever those rights are attacked.

A systematic effort is being made by the corporation element composed of those who left the democratic party in 1896 under the pretense of opposition to bimetallism to regain control of the party organization. The purpose of these men is to place the party in the position it occupied under Grover Cleveland's administration. They pretend to be desirous of harmony; and yet democrats cannot forget that those who are crying "harmony" now are the ones who destroyed harmony and helped to elect a republican administration, thus bringing upon the country the very evils which they now pretend to be anxious to remedy.

Harmony, in the view of these men, involves not the slightest concession on their part, but the complete surrender by conscientious democrats of the principles which they are proud to champion and the serious intention that the democratic party shall keep faith with the people.

It is a reflection upon the party loyalty of those who remain true to the platform to assume that they have less interest in the party than those who have conspicuously betrayed the party and its principles. It is not only the duty of those who believe in the Kansas City platform to assert themselves, but it is necessary that they should assert themselves if they expect to save the party from disaster.

In order to avert this disaster, it will be necessary for democrats in every precinct in the country to organize. They should see to it that they are represented in their county conventions by democrats who will be faithful to democratic principles and who will not yield to the insidious influences of men who desire to republicanize the democratic party. And in this year, as well as in the next year, democrats should see to it that they are represented in their county conventions, in their state conventions and finally in their national convention by delegates who may be depended upon to be steadfast in the support of democratic principles and faithful to the interests of the people.

Let every reader of The Commoner make it his special duty to see that an organization is effected in his precinct.

Do not delay the work of organization.

Let every democrat who believes that his party should be faithfully and seriously representative of the people's interests put on his armor now and, beginning the fight at once, determined not to yield until the battle has been won.

With a view to forwarding the work of organization The Commoner will furnish upon application a form of constitution and membership blanks to all who request them, and every reader of The Commoner should appoint himself a committee of one to perfect the organization of a club in his precinct without delay. A course of study will be outlined in The Commoner, and from week to week the editor will discuss the subjects suggested.

Secretaries are asked to report organizations, notice of which will be made in The Commoner for the information of other communities. DO NOT DELAY! ORGANIZE NOW!

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**Hot Stuff for the French.**

A member of the staff of Figaro, a spraightly Paris newspaper, was sent to the United States to make "psychological and analytical" studies of America and Americans. The Gallic journalist has published his observations on our economic, social and political institutions. A day or two ago he gave the readers of Figaro his views about our great national sport, "Le foot ball." He saw the game between Harvard and Yale and describes it with a realism and a minuteness of detail which are said to be very impressive. The Gallic observer appears to have been startled by the ferocious cries of "Kill him! Kill him!" from excited partisans of the rival teams. He explains that those who incite to murder are not really assassins at heart. "It may well be asked," he adds, "whether a pastime which elicits such brutal frenzy can be good for civilization."

It would be interesting to have a record of the Figar man's impressions of what in sporting parlance is described as a "hot base ball game." "Le foot ball," it is conceded, is not child's play. But if the Paris journalist were to hear some of the blood-curdling demands for vengeance upon the umpire of a base ball contest, if he were to see that unfortunate person attacked by a mob of bloodthirsty "rooters," he would possible conclude that "Le foot ball" is not such a savage pastime after all.—Baltimore Sun.

**Just in Time.**

Broadland, So. Dak., Feb. 23d.—Beadle county has never been so worked up as during the last few weeks. Every one is talking of the wonderful case of G. W. Gray of Broadland, the particulars of which are best told in the following statement which Mr. Gray has just published:

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Less than two weeks of the present congress remains, and the hopes of anti-trust legislation or tariff reformation have gone Nelson A. Aldriching.

Canada once claimed sovereignty over territory as far south as the Ohio river. This may indicate another diplomatic move on the part of Mr. Hay.

The Davenport (Ia.) "Democrat" says that the Kansas City platform spells "d-e-f-e-a-t." The Davenport Democrat should take notice of the fact that it does not spell "d-i-s-h-o-n-o-r."

When senators are elected by direct vote of the people it will be impossible for men like Aldrich to block legislation calculated to do justice to the people at large.

Reports from Washington indicate that Mr. Oxnard is having great difficulty in getting several senatorial minds made up.

The loudest demands for "harmony" among democrats come from those gentlemen who claim to be democrats, but who sang in the republican key in 1896 and 1900.

President Roosevelt is learning how to fence. He will find some of them down in the south, notwithstanding the herculean efforts of Mr. Surveyor of the Port of New York Clarkson.

Just as long as Mr. Smoot can keep his republicanism on straight his admittance to the republican senate will not be seriously obstructed.

The harmony that depends upon allowing deserters to guard the democratic citadel is not the kind of harmony that will bring about the triumph of democratic principles.

Governor Cummins of Iowa finds himself thoroughly disliked by those republicans who merely advocated the "Iowa idea" because it looked like a vote getter.

Mr. Carnegie will recognize The Hague tribunal by giving it a library. This should impel those European monarchs to treat it more tenderly.


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**Expensive Colonies.**

France spends annually for her colonies a little more than $25,000,000 a year, while the aggregate of its business with them, export and import, is but $62,000,000, and but 4,000 a year emigrate to French colonies. But France has not been the least successful country in building a colonial empire, for Germany's geographically large possessions cost more than the aggregate of the exports and imports from them.

The truth is naturally feared in the courts because it convicts more than it acquits.

**Nervous Man and Chess.**

Dr. Lasker, the chess champion, in a recent interview declared that chess playing, not carried to excess, improves a man's health. "Most of the prominent players," he added, "live to an advanced age. But nervous people shouldn't play chess at night. If they do they can't sleep. Nor in the morning, or they can't work. They shouldn't play at all, in fact. Chess is beneficial to the normal man, just as athletics is good for him. The chess player lives longer than the athlete."

**A $100,000 Book.**

The Duke of Devonshire possesses as an heirloom Claude Lorraine's "Book of Truth," which is said to be one of the rarest and most valuable books in Europe. It is, at any rate, worth six times as much as the famous "Mazarin" Bible, the costliest book in the British museum. The late duke refused $100,000 for it.

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