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"I am clearly of the opinion that gold and silver at rates fixed by congress constitute the legal standard of value in this country, and that neither congress nor any state (under the constitution) has authority to establish any other standard or to displace this standard."—Daniel Webster.

"According to my views on the subject the conspiracy which seems to have been formed here and in Europe to destroy by legislation and otherwise from three-sevenths to one-half the metallic money in the world is the most gigantic crime of this or any other age. The consummation of such a scheme would ultimately entail more misery upon the human race than all the wars, pestilences and famines that ever occurred in the history of the world."—John G. Carlisle, in 1878.

In the South Dakota lexicon, the more you steal from the people the easier you get off.

WHENEVER you hear of cyclones in Nebraska you may know that there is no drouth. The state received another soaking yesterday. Rain news is no longer rare news.

THE business men of Elmwood have a very good trait. They have two newspapers, and these two papers are very liberally patronized with advertising—in fact better than those of any other town in the county.

THE banking fraternity is almost solid against free coinage, and that is one of its best recommendations. The experience of this country during the war proved that no class of Americans had so little patriotism as the bankers.

THE Chicago Record calls the bargain for the return of Taylor, the defaulting ex-treasurer of South Dakota, a disgraceful dicker. If any one has any more dignified name to apply to it, the suggestion ought to be made without delay.

REPUBLICAN papers in the county are booming the chances of A. R. Eickenbary of Union for treasurer—which means, we presume, that Sheriff Eickenbary, his uncle, is to be shelved. How Croft will relish that idea, deponent sayeth not.

TALKING about a "fifty cent dollar." What's the matter with a hundred and fifty cent gold dollar? Judged by the price of realty both in town and country throughout the land, a gold dollar is worth 150 cents as compared with its value a few years ago.

THE Lincoln Journal calls everybody a fiatist who is not for a gold standard. Why is it for a gold standard if it does not believe in fiatism? What makes gold, or silver, or paper, for that matter, money if it is not fiatism—the law? Can the wise Journal stop long enough to answer?

THE convention of republican clubs was chiefly distinguished for the fact that its managers were able to keep a silver plank from its platform and prevent an open fight in the convention on the silver question, and the party managers throughout the country were saved from a congestive chill.

DAVID OVERMEYER, the great Kansas democrat, declares for bimetalism at 16 to 1. He is the man who led the fight against prohibition, and he has fought the battle for democracy when it was a hopeless and thankless task. It is now in order for the goldbug press to write "Dan" Overmeyer down a demagogue.

IS THE republican press afraid to tackle the money question? Aside from the Plattsmouth News there isn't a republican paper in the county that has an opinion on the question, or that apparently cares a snap about anything except how to get its friends into office. That is not public spirited, to say the least.

THE fact that Matthew Gering was released from his unpleasant position in Lincoln just as soon as the court had an opportunity to weigh and decide upon the cause of action makes evident the animus of his arrest. Whatever may be said of his faults of former years, his conduct for years past has been that of a good citizen, and he should soon be brought out the

fact that he has many friends among all classes of people. His arrest was an outrage for which the perpetrators ought to pay severely.

THE recent democratic convention in Illinois has evidently given the gold bugs of the east a big scare, and they have employed Wm. D. Bynum of Indiana (one of Cleveland's cuckoos) who deserted the cause of silver two years ago to revel in the charms of government patronage, to make twenty speeches in that state for the gold standard, and have agreed to pay him for his work. The announcement of this fact has had the effect to arouse the free silver men in the state to a determination to make an open fight for bimetalism from this on, and we predict that ere long Indiana democracy will take its place in line with Illinois and Nebraska for the white metal.

TREASURY officials have admitted that the real reason why there are no more silver dollars in use is because they are unpopular with bank cashiers and tellers, who, if they are paid out to the public, fire them back to the treasury and demand silver certificates instead. Mr. Eckles could find this out if he chose to do so, right in the treasury building, and there is no necessity for him writing long disquisitions on the unpopularity of the silver dollar. One treasury official remarked to the writer last year: "The people like silver for every day use, but the fact is the banks don't like it, and that is why you see so little of it in use here in Washington."

THE Illinois state legislature, after being in session for over five months, adjourned on Saturday last, only to be called together again by the governor to enact needed legislation for the protection of the people. He wants them to revise the revenue laws, to compel a reduction in sleeping car fares and to protect the state in case of such strikes as that at Pullman last year. Gov. Altgeld is very unpopular with certain classes, but Illinois never had an executive who was more keenly alive to the public interests than he.

THE inevitable results of the advocacy in this country of the British gold standard are the decay of patriotism, and the growth of the rankest torism. Both must be put down at all hazards and at any cost. They must be put down even if the people have to sacrifice both the old parties. There is no other issue before the country but the restoration of the purchasing power in the markets of the people's products and the enlargement of their stock of primary money.—Atlanta Constitution.

A GOOD many people have an idea that the silver dollar is a full legal tender, yet such is not the case. The best authority known on money definitions makes this definition of the term legal tender: "The principal coinage of a country is legal tender to an unlimited amount, and when offered discharges any pecuniary obligations. It is only the standard coinage which possesses this property. Or, rather, the standard coinage is that which does possess it."

THE supreme court of Iowa has refused a stay of proceedings in the case of the Mulct law saloon keepers of Des Moines, who were found by Judge Spurrier to have filed insufficient petitions, and all the saloons must close until the petitions are made good by new ones that shall contain the names requisite for a compliance with the law. Oh! what a dry town Des Moines will be for three months to come!

SENATOR THURSTON in his speech at the league convention at Cleveland said that Nebraska would give 50,000 plurality for the republican ticket next year, no matter what the platform was. Thurston must have been dreaming, as the people of Nebraska no longer vote blindly and are tired of the republican ring rule which has so long bossed this state.—Nebraska City News.

EASTERN money lords are not making much fun of the action of the Illinois democrats in their recent convention. It was so nearly an uprising of the people that it has staggered the bankers and money lenders who are devoted to the single gold standard. It has aroused them to desperation. They fear its consequence and its power.

THE present government of Great Britain is evidently tottering to its fall and before many weeks parliament will doubtless be dissolved, or the administration give place to the conservatives. In that event the bimetalists have strong hopes of having their champion—Balfour—placed at its head, and thus give a chance for free coinage.

TODD VS. CARLISLE ON MONEY.

Editor JOURNAL: There is one point in the discussion of the money or silver question gold value that seems to be overlooked by the friends of silver money. I call attention to the speech of Secretary Carlisle, wherein he says: "It is not the coin that determines the value of the metal, but the metal that determines the value of the coin." This is the vital point in the issue I shall attempt to show that Mr. Carlisle is wrong in principle, as well as in fact. A little reflection on this point will reverse his statement. Thus: To find the value of an ounce of gold we are compelled first to use a coined legal dollar. There is no other method known to man by which commodities are appraised or valued except by legal dollars, and these are made by authority of sovereign law, without regard to material from which they are stamped or coined.

While it is true that commodities, gold or silver, can and may be exchanged for other commodities when sold, their value is and must be estimated by legal money. Every product of labor or nature that goes on the market for sale or barter is subject to change of value, and the law of supply and demand. But when the owners of gold or silver elect to place the metal in the power and control of the government, and have the same coined into legal dollars, the metal value sinks and becomes material, while the legal value is fixed in accordance with our constitution, which gives to congress the power to "coin money and regulate the value thereof." If they do not or cannot regulate the value why give congress the power? If this position is not correct then all legislation becomes a farce and that feature of the constitution itself is a farce and a fraud and we must return to barter and traffic. According to the Carlisle theory there is not now nor never has been a "sound" dollar, dime, nickel or cent, as they are all stuffed more or less with alloy. I now go farther to prove positively that the value of gold is fixed by law, and that it has no preeminence above other metals except as maintained by law and act of parliament. It is or ought to be apparent to everyone that if the gold has a value above its money value it would not be presented at the mint for coinage in order to claim the legal value. The commodity value of gold or silver bullion might be valued by its exchangeable value for other commodities; but when we do that we find silver on a parity with commodities with gold alone. The idea of fixing the value of gold by law and throwing silver on the market to be purchased by legal gold dollars is a violation of every principle of common sense, justice and equity. It is not gold or silver; not corporation bank paper wild-cat but constitutional money strength.

L. G. TODD.

THE recent experiment made by the Chicago Record of securing a popular vote on the silver question was quite a success, and demonstrated not only the drift of popular sentiment on the subject, but that a good many people are deeply interested in it on both sides. The question submitted was: "Shall the mints of the United States be immediately opened for the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver, without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation?" And on this proposition the voter was to vote yes, or no. The voting was confined to the actual legal voters of Chicago, and included both sexes to some extent, because some women are eligible to vote in Illinois. The result, after keeping the polls open for three weeks and making a daily report, was: yes, 8,028; no, 4,908, thus giving a majority for free coinage of 3,120. This in a city like Chicago where two years ago free silver advocates could scarcely get a hearing, is very, very remarkable, as showing the growth of the silver sentiment.

SIMMER the demand for the single gold standard down to its ultimate conclusion and it has no more humanity in it than had Shylock with his demand for his pound of flesh. It is cold, clammy, heartless selfishness, originating and terminating in usury, and the profit to be made on money loaning. The usurer knows that if money becomes plentier his kith and kin can no longer corner it, and thus their cinch on mankind will be gone, hence the fraternity of Shylocks are fighting against it.

THE growth of the corn crop in Cass county this year beats any thing on record. Numerous cases are mentioned where the farmers only had time to plow it twice before it grew so tall as to make it impossible to work it a third time—or to "lay it by," as the farmer says. A man named Critchfield laid by sixty acres in one field last week.

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DON'T LIKE THE MILISH.

In his letter to the governor declining the appointment as an aid on the governor's staff Edgar Howard of the Papillion Times makes it quite evident that he does not think much of the militia. He says: "I am opposed to the state militia, root and branch. I regard it a constant menace, rather than an aid to the public peace. The state soldiery throughout the union has been organized always at the behest, and often at the dictation of corporate capital, which insists that the state shall plunge its bayonets into the breast of organized labor in order to force compliance with organized capital's demands. Rare indeed are the instances where state soldiers have been called into the field save by request of the representatives of some corporation whose galling burdens have rendered restless and revengeful their employes. Who ever heard of the militia being called out to right the wrongs of the poor? When has the state unsheathed a sword or hurled a shell into the ranks of capital at the request of labor? In vain you will search the records for reply."

FOLLOWING is one of the declarations of rights inherent with a free people, adopted by the recent Memphis convention:

"The right to regulate its own monetary system in the interests of its own people is a right which no free government can barter, sell or surrender. This reserved right is a part of every bond, of every contract and of every obligation. No creditor or claimant can set up a right that can take precedence over a nation's obligations to promote the welfare of the masses of its own people. This is a debt higher and more binding than all other debts, and one which it is not only dishonest but treasonable to ignore. Under the financial policy that now prevails we see the land filled with idle and discontented workmen and an ever growing army of tramps, men whom lack of work and opportunity have made outcasts and beggars. At the other end that a few thousand families own one-half the wealth of the country. The centralization of wealth has gone hand in hand with the spread of poverty. The pauper and the plutocrat are twin children of the same vicious and unwholesome system. The situation is full of menace to the liberties of the people and the life of the republic. The issue is enfranchisement or hopeless servitude. Whatever the power of money can do by debauchery and corruption to maintain its grasp on the law-making power will be done. We therefore appeal to the plain people of the land with perfect confidence in their patriotism and intelligence, to arouse themselves to a full sense of the peril that confronts them and defend the citadel of their liberties with a vigilance that shall neither slumber or sleep."

Gov. BOIES of Iowa has another plan for securing bimetalism that is, to say the least, ingenious. He puts himself squarely down as an advocate of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1 without asking the advice or consulting the interest of any other nation. He says that the most dangerous enemies of silver are those, who, while claiming to want bimetalism, demand it under such circumstances that they know it can be realized. He suggests that this country should "coin its own silver and that this would increase the value of the metal the world over, so that there would be no danger of a flood of the metal here." He also proposes that this country should "take up its other forms of paper money with an increased issue of silver certificates, which would by this arrangement be given the full value that their face indicates, and as every dollar of the certificates would be backed by coin it would be the best system in the world." There could be no true bimetalism with either metal discredited in the least. If our treasury were to prohibit the exportation of gold, as France does, the problem would be easily solved.

THE man who sits in Wall street, and by means of bank credit, buys up all last year's claims to raise the price—who, taking fifty thousand honestly earned dollars, makes a Clam Digging company—bribes newspapers to be still about it—creates ten banks and locks up gold—then buys up every share, makes ten more banks and floods the land with paper and sells out, retiring after a week of such labor with a fortune, is a thief. Such thieves of the past we propose to leave undisturbed. Our plan is to make such thieves less in the future.—Wendell Phillips.

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CARLISLE'S POSTULATES.

SECRETARY CARLISLE, in his speeches in the south made the following five points which it is the boast of the goldites that the free silverites will not attempt to answer:

1. There is not a free coinage country in the world that is not on a silver basis.
2. There is not a gold standard country in the world today that does not use silver for money along with gold.
3. There is not a silver standard country in the world that uses any gold as money along with silver.
4. There is not a silver standard country in the world that has more than one third of the circulation per capita of the United States.
5. There is not a silver standard country in the world today where the laboring man receives fair pay for his day's work.

Let us make a few postulates that are as equally true as the above.

1. There is not a gold standard country in the world in which the farmers and laboring people generally are not clamoring for bimetalism.
2. There is not a gold standard nation on earth that has adopted that system except at the dictation of banks and bankers.
3. There is no silver standard country in which the condition of the common people is not better than it would be with a gold standard.
4. The Rothschilds or some other syndicate of "financiers" have control of the financial affairs of every gold standard country in the world, and have dictated its adoption.
5. There is not a country in the world whose laboring people would not be greatly benefited by the adoption of bimetalism by the United States alone or by this country and the nations of Europe.

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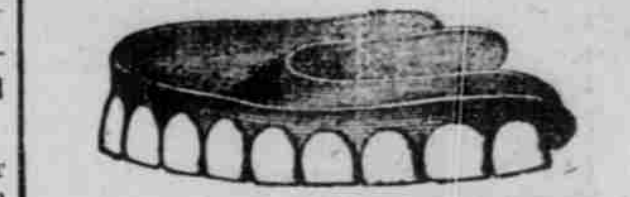
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