

SIXTEEN TO ONE.



A fitting comparison between the importance of the Republican boss and that of his candidate. —Philadelphia Item.

Talk About Tyranny. "Don't ask any questions," said Supt. Billy Lawlor as he handed Joseph Hopfinger his walking papers Thursday night. Hopfinger has been employed for a long time past in D. E. Thompson's gas and electric light works and it came to his ears the other day that Hopfinger had been talking for Bryan and he immediately ordered an investigation. Supt. Lawlor inquired around a little and experienced no difficulty whatever in learning that the charge was true and much as he liked Jo he was compelled to give him the bounce, so on Thursday night Jo was summoned into the superintendent's office where the following dialogue took place: "Jo, I guess we'll have to get along without you after this. Here is your time."

"Why, Billy, what do you mean, am I fired?" "Yes, you are fired." "But what have I done to warrant it? Haven't I been performing my work properly?" "Yes, your work is perfectly satisfactory but we will have to give your place to someone else." "Well, ain't you going to give me some reason?" "No, I can't do that Jo and I would rather you wouldn't ask any questions." Jo persisted, and seeing that he could get no satisfaction left the office for home where he told his family of his misfortune. It seems that Jo was one of the very few men who would not be bounced into declaring that he was going to vote for McKinley. Nearly all the others had thus declared themselves but Jo wasn't made of that sort of stuff, consequently he had to take his medicine. It further develops that Jo never talked politics around the gas works, but had confined what little he had to say to his home or elsewhere and in no instance had he made himself obnoxious or offensive to anyone. Here is simply another instance where tyranny is being exercised by these political bosses and it's the same old story every day. This man Hopfinger is an honest, sober, industrious man who has been employed at the gas works for over three years. He lives at H and Third streets where he has a wife and four children. He has been getting the magnificent salary of \$45.00 a month to support them on and now is compelled to find another job, a very difficult thing to do in times like these. The man who takes his place is a laxy, good-for-nothing chap named Hanneman, whose father is a well known republican ward heeler. The son has previously held a position in the gas works, but was let out for incompetency and lousiness. This is the way they do business at the gas works.

borrowings will make up for the losses from lending. Now the wealthy class are spending millions of dollars in trying to make the people believe that the r (the people's) condition will be injured by the free coinage of silver! Precious little they would spend for the people's sake! It means rather that if free silver comes in the wealthy class cannot squeeze out extra millions from the people in exchange for these thousands they are now spending. I can't see how any laboring man can be so easily blinded by such bluffs as "sound money and prosperity." There is no effort being made to show how "sound money" is going to bring "prosperity."

Another high sounding phrase is: "McKinley will open the factories." How will he do this? Why are the factories closed? Because they can't sell what they have already manufactured. Why? Because the people who need the manufactured articles have no money to buy with. Why? Because they get such small prices for their produce. Why have prices gone down? Because the volume of primary money has become so small since silver was demonetized that wealthy men can get and control it. Three men in the world could, together, corner and control all the world's gold. Rothschilds of England is one of them. One of the Astor family of New York city is another, and the third, I think, is John Morgan of the same place.

Prices of produce of every description, as well as the prices of land and buildings have decreased about the same way that silver bullion has decreased; showing that while all these things have been decreasing with silver in value the buying power of gold (which is held and controlled by those already wealthy) has nearly doubled. Since gold is our "best money" people want it. It is now scarce so they can't get it as easily as before. What then? They have to offer more of their goods to get it. Since silver is not scarce, it could not be controlled so easily, and would, therefore, tend not to diminish in value, but to raise in value and bring prices of the farmer's produce, the value of property, up with it, decreasing only the buying power of the gold dollar.

When farmers get good prices for their produce then the country is prosperous, and this would be the ultimate result of the opening of the mints to free and unlimited coinage of silver. Of course the banks and goldbug classes will try to spread a panic at first if Bryan is elected so they can say "I told you so!" Well here is politics for you. Perhaps not interesting but they are facts as I see them and are the reasons why I shall vote for Bryan. I am not a democrat but a silver-republican. Some things in the Chicago platform I don't like, but I believe the silver question is now all important. Let us pay attention to facts and watch for the truth and not be misled by high sounding phrases such as I have mentioned, unless it is shown how a sound money advocate is "patriotic" or how all these things are to be, and if this is brought before such people they will shrink from the truth every time. N. P. COLWELL, 251 Winchester Ave.

FELL FROM A HORSE.

STATE'S ATTORNEY SWITZER TAKEN HOME BY HIS FRIENDS.

One of Illinois' Most Prominent and Highly Honored Men Suffers From Injuries Sustained in a Fall—His Colleagues and Fellow Citizens Testify to His Integrity and Public Spiritiveness.

From the Journal, Macomb, Ill. Theodore B. Switzer is the senior member of the law firm of Switzer & Breeden, of Macomb, Ill., and will this fall (1896), close a brilliant four-years term as State's Attorney for McDonough county, Ill. Years ago he was severely injured by a fall from a horse, sustaining a hurt in the right side in the region of the sciatic nerve, leaving this portion of his anatomy weak and susceptible to disease. When last February's term of court came on he found himself, from close application to his business, sadly run down; in fact he was on the very verge of nervous prostration. Mr. Switzer told the Daily Journal reporter that while laid up, with no possible signs or prospect of relief from his family physician, he read a testimonial wherein Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People had cured a case parallel with his own, and he immediately made up his mind to try the remedy. He sent for a package and commenced their use immediately according to directions, with the result that he began rapidly to mend and was soon attending to his business once more. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, or will be sent post paid on receipt of price, 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50 (they are never sold in bulk or by the 100), by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

DOWN ON DECH.

Polk County Populists Vigorously Denounce Him.

To THE EDITOR: By request of the County Central Comitee. I send you the enclosed resolutions which they desire you to publish in your paper and thereby show the people of the state where we stand.

The following resolutions in condemnation of W. H. Dech were adopted at the Peoples Party primary in Osceola last Saturday and also at the county convention Monday. Whereas, W. L. Stark of Aurora, Neb., has been nominated by the silver forces of the fourth Congressional district, and whereas, W. H. Dech, of Saunders county has filed his petition with the Secretary of State for the purpose of running for congress, and whereas, it is patent to every right thinking person that said Dech cannot be elected, but that he is doing this in the interest of Mr. Hainey and with full intent to cause the defeat of W. L. Stark, therefore, be it Resolved, That we hereby condemn said Dech and the course he is taking, and we further promise to do all in our power to elect Hon. W. L. Stark. Polk County will give Bryan and the State Ticket from 700 to 1000 majority. J. E. PETERSON, Sec. Co. Central Com.

Ripans Tablets: for sour stomach.

Misleading and Deceptive.

To the Editor: The State Journal of September 30, under the head of "Value and Law," publishes statements credited to Edward Atkinson, which from a surface view are correct, yet the statements made as to fact are the most misleading and deceptive that can be imagined. The statements referred to ought to be used by all the speakers who are for silver coinage showing the adroitness at deception that is resorted to in order to deceive the people on the many issues now before the country.

First—Mr. Atkinson speaks of Hamilton as the framer of the coinage act of 1792, and that, after a full consultation with Jefferson, etc. The fact is that Jefferson gave us the unit of account, the dollar. Jeffersonian statesmanship stood for the people and humanity, Hamilton statesmanship for aristocracy and plutocracy. Hamilton's efforts were directed in the line of commodity value of the future money of the nation, Jefferson in the line of only legal value. Jefferson won the fight. The law of 1792 says the unit of account shall be the dollar of 371 1/2 grains pure silver or 416 grains standard. Up to this date such a thing as a unit of account or dollar as the legal unit of all transactions of the people was not in existence. The genius of a Jefferson spoke the ideal dollar into existence. His far-seeing genius saw that intrinsic or commodity value of money would be a fluctuating value dependent upon the greed and avarice of the rich to control its value from time to time as their interests dictated. Commodity value was only a shorter cut in the barbaric system of barbarians. To lift the new born nation to a higher plane he advocated and won the true principle of legal value. From this resulted the law of 1792, giving us the unit of account, in which "all accounts in the public offices, and all proceedings in the courts of the United States shall be kept," etc. The Spanish milled silver dollar was taken as a representative of the "Ideal Dollar" as to its weight. No gold coin of the value of a dollar was ever coined until the law of 1849 said a coin of gold, of the value of one dollar or unit, of 25.8-10 grains of 9-10 fine should be coined. Then came into existence the coin of the legal value of the unit of account of 1792. Still this gold dollar is not a dollar unit, only of the value (legal) of a dollar. This view of the legal value of the dollar instead of a commodity value, was made plain in the law of 1792, making the minor coins in weight and fineness proportionately of legal value to the unit. The ideal dollar was intended by Jefferson to be the legal standard to facilitate exchange of products. To insure a fixed unchangeable, non-fluctuating unit for the business of the nation, Jefferson knew full well that a commodity unit of any kind would be subject to fluctuations of value produced by greed and avarice of the money power of the world, and his aim was to so frame the coinage laws at the start that only legal value of money should be recognized. As the unit of account as fixed by Jefferson it has remained in all the history of the nation down to 1873, when a second Arnold in the form of John Sherman changed the term to "unit of value," at the same time dropping from coinage the unit of account (silver dollar) and substituting by fraud the unit of value (gold dollar).

Jefferson's struggle to maintain in the coinage law the legal value of the dollar as against Hamilton's commodity value idea, resulted in a sort of a compromise between the two conflicting ideas. The language of the law as to the dollar being the unit of account, shows that the silver is the material which receives the impression of the law or legal decree, the silver with its weight and fineness being the commodity. The silver dollar or the gold dollar, so-called, cannot have as a medium of exchange two values at the same time, i. e., a legal and commodity value at one and the same time. Jefferson's genius foresaw the attempt to enslave the producer through the fluctuating process of commodity value in money, and by fiat of sovereign power made the law, the money and the coin, which Judge Tiffany, on constitutional law, says may by gold, silver, parchment or paper, the material to receive the impression of law, and this gold, silver, parchment or paper is the medium of exchange and its only function is, first, to pay the debts of the people either out of court or in court, and, second, to assist in exchange of products. This view of what money is, and what its functions are, is sustained by every decision of the United States supreme court, and by several of the state supreme courts.

I challenge any man to show any decision of the courts to the contrary. The agitation of the question of money and its proper and just solution will never be settled right and in the interests of the people until the majority of the people plainly see that commodity value of the debt paying agent is slavery, while the legal value is liberty and freedom from insatiable greed. W. F. WARD.

DECLINES TO MAKE THE RUN.

O. N. Humphrey's Name Substituted For That of C. W. Leach.

Mr. C. W. Leach, candidate for state senator of the populist ticket, was before the committee at its last meeting and asked for his name taken off the ticket. He said that recent changes in his business affairs rendered it impossible for him to make the race and do his duty as a candidate.

After mature deliberation the committee accepted his resignation and placed the name of O. N. Humphrey of this city on the ticket. It will be remembered that at the nominating convention Mr. Humphrey's name was among the first mentioned for that place and he would have received the unanimous vote had he not peremptorily declined the honor which he now reluctantly accepts.

Mr. Humphrey is one of the best known men in the county and for honesty, business integrity and high moral and social standing has no peer in the state.

He has been a life-long republican, but when he read the St. Louis platform in which he found that his party had gone back on its record for free silver, and acknowledged their inability to run this country without the aid of foreign powers, he, like thousands of the best republicans in Nebraska, promptly severed his connection with the g. o. p. and fell into the ranks of the reformers who will rescue the country in November.

The extensive personal acquaintance which Mr. Humphrey enjoys in this county insures him a large vote from his former republican associates. He will be elected by a larger majority than any man on the county ticket.

FEELS CERTAIN OF VICTORY.

Candidate Bryan Declares His Cause Has Already Won.

NEW YORK, Oct. 3.—The Journal this morning publishes the following signed statement from Candidate Bryan, predicting his victory, a month before the election:

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 2.—To W. R. Hearst, Journal, New York: I have no doubt of my election, and I base my confidence upon the fact that the free coinage sentiment is growing every day. The people are studying the money question and the study of it is convincing the people that there can be no permanent prosperity so long as the gold standard is maintained.

The gold standard makes a dearer dollar; a dearer dollar means falling prices, and falling prices mean hard times. The people who profit by hard times are relatively so few in number that they would amount to nothing at all but for the fact that they are aided by a considerable number of people, who, not having studied the money question themselves, have received instructions from a few financiers. The number of republicans who have declared for free silver outnumber the democrats who have deserted the ticket, and while the number of silver republicans is increasing all the time, the number of bolting democrats is all the time decreasing.

While I have no doubt as to my election, I believe that every advocate of free coinage should work from now to election day to make the majority so large that no party hereafter will ever dare to propose submission to a foreign financial policy. W. J. BRYAN.

CERTIFICATES FILED

Of the Nomination of Candidates for Presidential Electors and State Officers.

Ed P. Smith has filed with the secretary of state the certificates of nomination of the candidates for presidential electors and state officers named by the democratic state convention; these are the same names as are contained in the people's independent party certificate and are: Governor, Silas A. Holcomb; lieutenant governor, J. E. Harris; secretary of state, W. F. Porter; state auditor, John F. Cornell; state treasurer, J. P. Moserve; state superintendent, W. R. Jackson; commissioner, J. V. Wolfe; judges of supreme court, long term, William Neville; short term, J. S. Kirkpatrick; for attorney general, C. J. Smyth; for university regents, Thomas Rawlings. Presidential electors, Fred Metz, Jr., Douglas G. W. Palm, Lancaster, P. J. Hale, Madison; X. Piasochi, Howard; N. O. Alberta, Clay; L. Kostyrka, Saline; M. F. Harrington, Holt; J. M. Campbell, Nance.

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