WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

The Debt Being Reduced Slowly. Committeemen Still at Work for the Cause

WAYS AND MEANS. Collections are very light this week, yet satisfactory in one view, because the contributors seem to look upon conditions as favorable to our success at the polls this fall. There seems to be some misunderstanding in places ag to what debts originally stood against the state committee, and the impression prevails that a part of the debt is for salary for Chairman Edmisten. This is not the fact. Chairman Edmisten made no charge for his services as chairman of the state committee, and has no claim for money against the committee.

Chairman Edmisten has in mind the taking of a referendum vote on the question of when to hold our coming state convention, and would be glad to hear from those interested in the matter. His address is Thedford, Neb.

RECEIPTS. Previously acknowledged \$1,397 71 To Wednesday noon...... 20 75

\$1,338 46 BY COUNTIES. BOYD-Previously acknowledged. \$4; Wm. G. Prescott, \$1; N. H. Blackmer, \$1, both Tower P. O., Bush pre-

cinct. Total, \$6. GREELEY-Previously edged, \$4.50; Gen. Patrick H. Barry. Greeley, \$12.50 (making a total of 259.25 contributed by the general during the campaign of 1900, and \$18.75 more than his pro rata share). Total, \$17. Five dollars more from Greeley would complete her share of the debt. acknowl-LINCOLN-Previously edged, \$2.20; collection of \$2 from

mitted): Total, \$4.30. THAYER-Previously acknowledged \$163.65; No Name," 50c, Belvidere, Total, \$164.15.

Issae Marsh, Echo, (no names sub-

YORK-Previously acknowledged. \$58.65; collection of \$3.75 from J. A. Brumsey, Bradshaw, committeeman for Bradshaw township, (Seneca Hubbell, 50c; John Glasser, 25c; David Hitchcock, \$1; J. B. Carlisle, \$1.50; J. A. Brumsey, 50c), all Bradshaw. Total, \$62.40.

Not a Partisan Lunatic

Editor Independent: As there is that sort, I thought that it might be all right to give the opinion of an old greenbacker. First we will vote with any party under any name that will guarantee that the government shall issue all the money without the iutervention of banks and regardless of 25c. 10c the material of which it is composed. When this is decided there will be abundant time to quarrel over the details as to the amount and whether it shall be redeemed in other kinds of money or not and also to quarre! over the tariff. There is no use fighting the trusts as long as we have the bank of

To Rosewater let me say: If there is nothing in the quantitative theory. do we not waste a great deal of digging and stamping gold as one dollar

would do the business as well as more. As between reorganized democracy and Hanna republicanism, I am a republican. The twins, gold standard and imperialism, are their offspring and cannot be turned over to me by my vote. They have got to go further, like misery, loves company. If we must have banks of issue, the more of the banks the more :nisery.

GEO. WATKINS.

THE CUBAN SITUATION

The Imperial Order Issued by McKinley

and Comments of the Press Thereon The Independent has made perse vering efforts to get a copy of the restional convention in accepting the lished at all, no copy has come to Lin-All that is known about it is that the convention included in the amendment that was given the commission sent to Washington by Mcand he directed the military commanthat he would stand no such nonsetise -that the Platt amendment must be accepted by the Cubans without any ifs and ands, just as it passed congress and that the United States troops would not be withdrawn without an unconditional surrender. It seems that McKinley gave to the commission a letter written by Senator Platt and when they got home they gave the letter to the press. That caused the augry passions of Secretary Root to rise and he declares that the commission vicinted confidence in publishing the letter. It was as follows:

Senate of the United States, April 1991.-Hon. Ellhu Root, Secretary War .- Dear Sir: I am in reccipt of your letter of this date in which you say that the members of the comconvention fear that the provisions relative to intervention, made in the third partment A B) Kansas City, Mo.

"In reply I will state that the amendment was carefully prepared with the object of averting any possible idea that by the acceptance thereof the constitutional convention would of the constitutional convention would thereby establish a protectorate or Suzerainty, or in any manner whatso-ever compromise the independence or \$1.50. A. H. WANCHOFF, Culver, Kansas. sovereignty of Cuba; and, speaking for myself, it seems impossible that such WE pay \$18 a week and expenses to men with an interpretation can be given to the an interpretation can be given to the clause. I believe that the amendment should be considered as a whole, and it ought to be clear on reading it BIG MONEY structions 10c A. A. CLARKE that its well-defined purpose is to se- Stilson, Iowa. cure and safeguard Cuban indepen-

United States toward the Cuban people and the express intention on their part to aid them if necessary in the maintenance of said independence. These are my ideas, and, although, as you say, I cannot speak for the entire congress, my belief is that such a purpose was well understood by that body.

"O. H. PLATT" The comments of the press-imperialistic and opposition-may be gathered from the following article in the Chicago American:

"An administration article asserts that the Platt amendment was sent to the Cubars for their acceptance or re-

"'It was not submitted to them for their interpretation, modification or comment, or for them to amplify with their recollection of anybody's oral interpretation or comments.'

ministration concerning the nature of their own work. The Platt amendment authorized the president to withdraw our troops from Cuba 'so soon as lished in said island under a constitution which, either as a part thereof or in an ordinance appended thereto, ly as follows."

interpretation, modification or comment." It would have been a perfect compliance with the letter and spirit of the Platt amendment if the convention had defined the relations of the United States with Cuba in its own American demands, and then had addall the interviews held by its commissioners with every official in Washington and a whole volume of explanatory comment. In literally accepting the amendment, as they did, the Cutheir own business."

What Morton Said

A republican paper says Lincoln is now a high priest of democracy, and wants to know what they said about him forty years ago? Well, such men as Morton, who abused him forty years ago, are now voting the republican ticket. The democrats who carried guns to support Lincoln's cause are en to the press." considerable talk about the democracy quoting him now .-- Butler County



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A movement looking toward the

foundation of a national gallery of art

"That discloses a singularly short at Washington is well under way, memory among the friends of the ad- which one of its projectors describes thus, says the New York Post: "The plan includes in its scope not a government shall have been estab- of art, but also a gallery suitable for

only a permanent collection of works transient exhibitions and an art school in the broadest sense of the term. The shall define the future relations of the name 'national' does not mean that the United States with Cuba, substantial- art is to be American art only, but that the galleries and the schools are to be-"There is nothing there forbidding long to the whole nation-to be a national pride.

"A gallery of paintings and sculpture to rival the collections of the old world cannot be brought together in a year or a decade or in many decades, but words, preserving the substance of the there are in this country many wonderful private collections of works of art, ed a complete stenographic report of both ancient and modern, which would eventually find their way to this gallery if it were really national in character and under a broad minded and wise management. A building where bans went far beyond the requirements transient exhibitions of contemporary of the law. What they chose to add art could be held is very much needed in the way of comment was entirely in Washington, and it should be so amply endowed that the best artists from all over the world could be invited to contribute. A school founded on the broadest lines would be a natural sequence-a school which should include the best instruction in the industrial arts as well as in the so called

> "A committee of artists and laymen baving the speedy attainment of this object in view is forming, and before long more detailed accounts can be giv-

A recent visitor at the White House found the wife of the president busy, as usual, knitting the woolen tops to slipper soles, writes the Washington correspondent of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. A pleasant protest that the first lady of the land should so steadily-It was about all she could do in her mines. state of health. Perhaps the good accomplished was more than the caller appreciated.

And then the gentle lady told with undisguised satisfaction of the sale of a pair of her slippers at a New England fair for a good purpose. The slippers had brought \$350, which had gone for the benefit of the cause. If there existed a desire for the possession of a pair of slippers knitted by the wife of the president measured by such a sum, why should she not try to meet it and thereby extend help to worthy objects? Mrs. McKinley defended her vocation admirably. Frequent requests for some is refused so long as Mrs. McKinley has the strength to fulfill them.

Relating to the leather soles of these slippers there is a story which enhances their value. Mrs. McKinley told it recently. On one occasion, early in the first term, Vice President Hobart came into the presence of the lady PENDENT HOMEMAREES Co., Lincoln, Nebraska | While she had her knitting in hand. He picked up from a table near by a BUILDING MATERIAL If you intend to sole upon which work had not begun. "Where do you get these?" he asked

when he had learned of the charitable purpose of the industry.

Mrs. McKinley replied that she bought the soles by the dozen.

"Well," said the vice president, "these bed room suits, side boards, cheffoniers, book are made at my factory. I will see stock is more elegant, and we have more floor that hereafter you are supplied with space to display it than any other mercantile the soles for the slippers without cost, itution in the city. Give us a chance and Kinley and Secretary Root. That seems we will save you money. Catalogue free. FAR- That shall be my contribution to the good work."

From that day, so long as he lived, stock of soles as often as it ran low through Mrs. McKinley's industry was replenished. And since the death of Carriages, Phaetons, Surreys, Buggies, Road Wagons, Spring Wagons, Lumber Wagons, Bicycles, Baby Carriages, Gocarts; everything that's built on wheels. If interested write for prices or call and see for yourself. The best wife of the president that her expertwife of the president that her expertness with the needles enables her on days of average strength to complete one slipper between morning and night.

> Washington is much interested just now in a game called "the alphabet of celebrities," says the New York World. It can be played anywhere for anythis: When two or more persons are gathered together, somebody asks, "Now, what famous man's name be-

tectorate or suzerainty by the United States, and you request that I exp. ess my opinion of the views raised.

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> Mr. Wu Nominated For Emperor. Why not make Minister Wu emperor of China? He talks well and appears to know, says the Mexican Herald, how to combine the best in Chinese conservatism and western progress.

Very Fruitful.

Since last October 2,000,000 fruit trees have been planted in Georgia. Evidently California, says the San Franstate as a rival in future.

The Country Colleges.

Dr. D. K. Pearsons, the octogenarian benefactor of small calleges, has been signally honored by the legislature of this state in the adoption of a complimentary set of re: ions.

The legislators, recognizing that Dr. Pearsons' wealth was accurulated in this state and that here his greatest benefactions have been made, took occasion, on Dr. Pearsons' personal visit to the legislature, to record with a rising vote their appreciation of his splendid work in furthering the cause of education.

The keynote of Dr. Pearsons' benefactions to the colleges is contained in the following saying by himself: "Not a penny to the rich or well-endowed institutions. I am helping the poor, struggling colleges because they are helping the poor boys and poor

girls to obtain an education." If, as Dr. Pearsons and a great many others believe, the best American types of the future are to come from the west and middle west this liberal giver to the cause of education is shrewd and far-seeing in confining his gifts to the small colleges scattered over the middle and western states. Dr. Pearsons sharply defines the work of the smaller colleges as distinct from the great, richly endowed institutions of learning. In the latter the tendency is ever to concentrate, consolidate and absorb. In the small colleges the opposite tendency is paramount, and hence they must ever remain "close to the soil," whence the best types of young America are recruited every year.

The great universities are constantly absorbing more wealth. They are also absorbing smaller and weaker institutions at an unparalleled pace. Dr. Pearsons believes, and a great many will agree with him, that this tendency is not representative of true democracy in learning. Nothing can ever supplant the beneficent work of the smaller colleges. It is in them that the moral fiber of students fresh from the country or mountain home is developed as it cannot be in the glamour of a great centralized uni-

Probably the tendency of the future Saunders County New Era.

will be that the immensely endowed universities, with their magnificent equipment and facilities for special investigations, will devote themselves more and more to postgraduate work. The training of the raw material in the ordinary academic and college years will be left to the smaller insti-

tutions near the homes of the students. This tendency is even necessary if we are to retain the principle of democracy in the field of learning. The attempt to consolidate and affiliate scores and even hundreds of small colleges into one centralized institution is an artificial policy that may ultimately fall of its own weight. Long may the small college prosper

and such prophets as Dr. Pearsons multiply.—Chicago Chronicle. Where Speculation Tends.

Watch the record of embezzlements and defalcations and see how many of them are due to "investments" in stocks, or grain, or something else. For the last thirty or forty years this under the name of business and the result is that it has permeated every corner. of the country. The people who lose are not as much in evidence as those who win. They are not adver-'sed in the papers. But if they were all known they would be vastly more conspicuous than the winners, for there are vastly more of them. It takes a great many losers to make a millionaire winner.-Indianapolis Sentinel.

They Deserved It

We believe the majority of the fusion judges in this state merited the severe lashing they received at the hands of the Nebraska Independent, in its last week's issue, but we do know that the two district judges, who reside in Saunders county, do not come within this category, for had all officials contributed as liberally to the campaign fund as they did, there never would have been any deficiency.-

GOLD STANDARD ABANDONED

After Spreading Death and Destruction Over the World London Financiers Give up the Attempt

There have been several councils held during the last year in New York | thur bitterly. and London in relation to the gold standard by the villains who brought more suffering and woe upon the world than was ever caused before by any set of men. The "crime of '93" was so foul a crime that it never can be expressed in words. Think what the people of Nebraska suffered and to n remember employ herself was well answered. that in India, where the British government attempted to stop the coinage of Why shouldn't she knit the slippers? silver that millions died of starvation and the plagues that always follow fa-

> It is announced from London that the attempt to force the gold standard upon India has been practically abandoned. This attempt was inaugurated in another minute he would have been infune, 1893, by the British council for India, at a time when London controlled the gold supply of the world and was in league with the treasury officials at Washington and the national bank coterie in New York to reduce silver everywhere to the position of a subsidiary metal, thus enhancing the demand for and the value of the gold stocks in London. The misery caused by the attempt in the United States, in India and elsewhere throughout the world might be reckoned in billions of dollars. But even that would not be adequate. Millions of lives have been sacrificed in India, and within the limits of this country-presumably independent-thousands of hard-earned fortunes were swept away. This evil was wrought in the name of "honest money," but the selfish motive power of the movement was the enhancement of the limited stock of gold that existed at the time, and to make money dear.

if these villians could have controlled the output of gold, they would have pushed their scheme to the bitter end, but all at once and contrary to the expectations of all the world, the gold mines began to pour forth a flood of gold such as was never known in all history. Science came to the aid of the handiwork of the president's wife, to miners and new processes enabled them to work over the old, abandoned be utilized for the benefit of charity or dumps, new gold fields were discovered in Alaska and elsewhere, and the carechurch, come to the White House. None | fully planned schemes of these scoundrels came to an end.

The effect upon India and in this country was so terrible that the whole world stood aghast. America, where abundance for all had been the rule, saw sights which were never seen before. Thousands of able-bodied men marched in armies up and down the country, starving, ragged and homeless. Homes were desolated and fortunes, the result of patient toil of many years, were swept away in a few months. All this was done in the name of "honest money.

As one looks back upon these scenes and shivers with horror at the remembrance, he cannot help but be filled with pity for ignorant masses, who were led to vote to impoverish themselves through party insanity and thoughtless acceptance of "catch phrases" invented by the villians who were wrecking the prosperity of the world, and the political tools, who for the sake of office and power, were willing to betray the interests of their constituents. Who can for a moment reflect upon those six years of suffering and death and remember that they were brought about by the machination of men deter- thing. mined to give the world "an object lesson," by which to impress upon the masses the effectiveness of their power and gather within their control the wealth of the world, without a burning indignation?

This attempt "to make money dear and all other things cheap," as McKinley once said, has been abandoned, not because there was any pity for the sufferings of mankind in the hearts of these wretches, but because the providential output of gold made the accomplishment of their purposes impossible. But the greed of gain has by no means died in the breasts of these men. They have evolved another scheme that will in the end work to the same pur-

pose that they had in view when they undertook "to make money dear and all things else cheap." They have turned their attention from bonds and great national debts to the control of industries by means of the organization of trusts. They will again attempt to deceive the masses by catch phrases and induce them to vote their industrial liberty away, not knowing that with it will go all the rights of man. The great dailies, which they have as completely under their control now

as they were in '93, are already beginning to announce a new political economy Capital is to have a share of production from fifty to five hundred per cent more than it ever had before. All the industries are to be capitalized, not for their true value, but for as much as the plants can be made to earn under a monopoly. A plant that is worth \$50,000 is to be capitalized for \$150,000 or \$500,000, as the case may be, and interest on capital increased from 3 per cent to 10 or 15 per cent, when the increase of wealth annually is less than 3 per cent. That process is as sure to end in distress as did the scheme to abandon the coinage of silver, reduce the quantity of money, make it dear and everything else cheap. The same plans are laid for its accomplishment. The daily press is to be owned and controlled, politicians are to be promised and given offices, the masses are to be deceived by catch phrases. London having abandoned the attempt to force the gold standard upon

India some time ago, there has been in consequence of it large shipments of silver. Official statements from the British board of trade, covering the four months from January 1 to April 30, 1901, show that London this year shipped to India and the Straits silver worth \$14,478,586, compared with \$9,094,397 in the like period of 1900. The gain reached \$5,384,189, or 59.2 per cent. From San came a burst of laughter from children Everybody names a famous man Francisco to India, in the same period, the silver shipments were \$30,000, clause of the amendment which has come to bear my name, may have the effect of preventing the independence of preventing the The attempt to force gold coinage has been practically abandoned, and the coinage of a large amount in silver rupees was found necessary to maintain the circulation in India and avoid grave currency difficulties. The high price maintained resulting from large shipments of silver to the Straits also helped to increase the demand for silver."

How long will it be before the great dailies will announce the fact that the British government has abandoned the attempt to establish the gold stand- in a conversation that took place 30 ard in India? They were crowded with items and articles every day when the attempt was being made to set up the gold standard there. Now they say nothing, which shows how worthless they are as a guide to the American voter. If there is any sense in the democratic party, it will make an effort to get the above facts to the people. So far there has not been a word said on the subject in any of the great dailies that sail under the democratic name. Let them put up in great black letters reaching clear across a page the words: "England has abandoned the attempt to force the gold standard upon India."

That will show more statesmanship and sell more papers than if the same space is filled with reports of divorce trials and murder cases. If that cannot be done, the next best thing would be for the national committee to send The Independent to every Bryan democrat for a year. By that time they would is. I know all about it. It you had a farm given to you at the beginning and you have lived on it for 40 years, you've come out within 50 cents of the amount of capital you began with."

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RELATIONS.

BY BARRY PAIN.

George Goad and Arthur Sennet oc-

cupied the third of the mourning coaches in the procession. They had worn quite the right expression as they stepped down from the house to the coach. Not one of the little crowd that had gathered to see the procession start could have found any fault with it. Arthur wore his handkerchief so that the black border on it peeped out of his pocket and indicated how his bereavement had gone all through him and left its mark on the smallest detail. But when they were once inside the coach and leaning back on the cushions that expression dropped off. It was a very comfortable coach, and George Goad looked perilously near to being contented. Even Arthur's querulous face wore speculative mania has been growing up an appearance of partial and rancid satisfaction. For a minute they nursed their solemn thoughts in silence, but they were the kind of men that had got to talk. Arthur looked out of the corner of his eye at George. It was for the elder man to start and to justify it. And George began with a justifica-

tion that he had used before on similar occasions. "After all," he said, "we may have our feelings, but we couldn't merciful deliverance." "I can't help but agree with you,"

said Arthur, as though he rather regretted this want of an independent judgment in himself. "She was a great sufferer. When the news was brought to me, I had a feeling that was almost like relief, if I may use the word."

"And after all we're nothing more than distant relations. It can't be the same to us that it should be (and I hope ts) to them that were nearer and are now in the coaches in front." "That is so," said Arthur. "As to the

relationship, I've tried to work it out, and it fogs me. I was thinking about it only last night. It's a kind of cousin, and I should say it was a third cousin. But I wouldn't speak for certain." "Ah," said George indulgently, "we country chaps are no good at problems!

Now, your profession-clerk to a solicitor-I'll wager that sharpens the "Do you know what's the principal use of a solicitor's clerk?" asked Ar-

"Well, and what might that be?" "To stop the solicitor from making a

fool of himself." "Oh, that's a good one! That's as good a one as ever I heard. I'll remember that. I'll"- He pulled himself up with a short, sharp jerk. In to a guffaw. He went on rapidly, clearing the smile from his face as he spoke: "She was a good woman. Yes, and a thoughtful woman too. I don't suppose the expense would have kept you away today or me either. Still, that £5 pound note apiece for the purpose was thoughtful."

"Of course your railway fare's more than mine. Still £5"-"Of course. There's a margin, and I haven't the least doubt she meant there to be a margin. I'll give you an-

"That is how I took it," said Arthur.

other point. Did you notice that sherry before we started?" Arthur confessed that he had not no-

ticed it particularly. "Well, I did. And it happens I can tell you something about that sherry. If she ever took a glass of wine, it was sherry. And, what's more, she kept two sorts of it. There was one at 18 and one at 36. I know that for a fact, because I know the man she dealt with. Now, the 18 I've had at the house before; nice enough, you know, but with a sort of sting in it. The one we had just now was not the 18, but the 36 and quite a different

"I rarely touch anything," said Arthur, with melancholy. "Can't-it's liver with me."

"What you want is a country life and good plain food. I'm never in a town but I notice the difference there. You can't get a good stew in a town. That's Reduced Rates From All Points. a country dish for country cooks. I don't say I could fancy it on a hot day like this, but in the winter- Well, you must come down one day and see for yourself what we can do. Give me three helpings of a good stew, a little bit of cheese and a pint or so of old ale, and I don't mind"-

But it never transpired what George Goad, under those delicious circumstances, did not mind, because at this moment the coach stopped. They were already at the cemetery. Without delay George and Arthur assumed the necessary expression. The coach moved on a little farther and stopped again close to the cemetery chapel. There was a moment's delay, and then a man in black opened the door, and the distant relations got out and took their places in the partially formed procession. At the door of the chapel they could see the curate waiting. There thur looked all right. - Black and White.

Ambition Versus Contentment. The difference between making a Exclusively living and making money is illustrated years ago between a man who went west and made a fortune and a man who remained on a farm in New Eng- Tri-Weekly land and did not. To sum up, the western man said to the New Englander: "You needn't tell me how it Christian Register.

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