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MR. BRYAN'S LETTERS

Mr. Bryan took passage on the Pacific Mail steamship Manchuria, which sailed from San Francisco September 27.

He went to Japan via Honolulu. After a few weeks in Japan he will proceed to China, the Philippine Islands, India, Australia, New Zealand, Egypt, Palestine, Greece, Turkey, Italy, Spain, Switzerland, Germany, France, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Russia, Holland and the British Isles.

The trip will occupy about one year, and the readers of The Commoner will be able to follow Mr. Bryan from the letters which will be published in The Commoner from time to time.

That full feeling this morning?

It seems that Mr. Depew warped his memory for business details by wrapping it around chestnuts.

There seems to be more underground work on the Panama canal than there is work on the canal itself.

People were wont to laugh with the senior senator of New York. If they laugh now it is not with him, but at him.

Mr. Depew's "up river" friend should be joined by several others and the trip should not end short of Ossining.

A Missouri schoolboy defined a friend as "one who knows all about you and likes you just the same." That is better than Webster.

President McCurdy has generously lopped off one-half of his salary. Not to be outdone in generosity the policyholders are perfectly willing to lop off the other half.

Mr. Depew was unable to remember the name of "the friend who dropped around once a year to fix things." Perhaps the friend forgot to tell Mr. Depew a new funny story.

Mr. Lawson declares that Mr. Rogers beat him out of \$12,000,000 in the collapse of the Amalgamated deal. The loss of that amount would make a newspaper man real mad.

James M. Beck contends that public opinion is all the supervision that life insurance companies need. It is gratifying to note that Mr. Beck is struggling valiantly to earn his salary.

The National Grange Patrons of Husbandry announces its opposition to the labor union demand for the eight-hour working day. The grange will have the earnest support of a large number of gentlemen who have profited largely by the over-time work and failure of the grangers to organize.

The Russian calendar is eleven days behind the calendar used by the rest of the civilized world. Russia now proposes to adopt the pre-

vailing calendar. Wisdom prompts such a course, for any opportunity to skip eleven such days as Russia has been enjoying for several years should be seized with avidity.

"We can not stop the practice of giving rebates," pleads a railroad man. Every state has an institution for the cure of habitual law-breaking.

A republican organ ventures the prediction that the president and the senate will have no trouble in getting together on a rate regulation measure. Perhaps. But is that a compliment to the president?

It is announced that the mine owners are organizing for a labor war on the miners. Perhaps at some not distant day the public will also organize and teach the mine owners a thing or two. Who knows?

A prize waltzer has been elected mayor of Providence, a professional violinist has been

elected mayor of San Francisco, and a novelist has been elected mayor of Toledo. The professional politicians seem to be on the run.

Another "last survivor" of the "Light Brigade" is dead. The last survivors of the famous charge seem to hang on almost as tenaciously as some life insurance presidents—or republican promises of tariff revision by friends of the tariff.

A contemporary deems it strange that both Jews and Gentiles have subscribed to the fund for the relief of the oppressed Russian Jews. There is nothing strange about that. Brotherly love has advanced so far these days that it can no longer be bounded by either race or creed, or both.

The European powers are now enjoying their annual picnic of handing redhot ultimatums to the sultan of Turkey. The sultan looks upon them very much like the republican leaders look upon their platform pledges to deal fairly with the people.

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