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#### THE MONEY POWER.

Children cry and shiver with fear at the stories told by old aunts and other ancient relatives, concerning non-existent hobgoblins, witches and ghosts. And so infants in finance, tyros in economics and fat-headed urchins in monetary studies are aroused and alarmed into he-hysterics by voluble orators who depict the desperate and dastardly designs of the money power on "the plain people."

The Money Power desires to cripple everybody who owes the Money Power so that the Money Power can never cover its dues!!

The Money Power deliberately plans and causes panics so that the Money Power may see people, off whom money has been and may be made, converted into paupers who can furnish money to nobody!

The Money Power lies awake nights to devise ways of making blue ruin for the country, because the Money Power can always thrive so stalwartly where agriculture, commerce and manufacture are cold and decayed in death.

The Money Power wants no prosperity anywhere because the Money Power knows that disaster, failure and bankruptcy always make the slave of the Money Power more useful and profitable!

The Money Power will soon, however, be driven out of the country if populism prevails.

Capital with all its wicked intentions of building mills, sugar factories, elevators, starch factories and other industrial establishments in Nebraska will be deliberately driven out of the state by the election of men who damn the

Money Power, denounce capital and arouse popular discontent.

Money has no power when it is hoarded and inert.

Money confers no benefit upon its owner until it leaves him.

How then can even foolish people be scared into political paroxysms by the portraiture of the Money Power which Senator Allen and other artists flamboyantly depict?

#### FIAT FOOD.

Fiat finance is just about as nourishing to trade as fiat food would be to bodily strength and health.

If legislation has the power to create value by a mere be-it-enacted it can by the same necromancy create nutriment. The enchantry which can make forty cents' worth of silver bullion equal to a hundred cents' worth of gold bullion can make a forty-pound sack of flour equal in furnishing nutrition to a sack which holds a hundred pounds of flour.

If an irredeemable dollar is just as good as one redeemable in gold an irredeemable order for a meal of victuals is just as good as a meal and equally as nourishing.

If a dollar which contains only forty cents' worth of silver bullion is worth just as much as it would be if it contained a hundred cents' worth of that bullion why is not forty per cent of a gallon of skimmed milk equal to a gallon of Jersey cream?

If an enacted ratio between the coins determines the relative value of the bullion the coins contain, instead of the commercial value of the bullion determining the value of the coins, then why cannot legislation prescribe a ratio between corn bread and wheat bread?

Corn bread is not as much in demand as wheat bread. Corn is cheaper than wheat. But why not by law institute bi-cerealism "without regard to any other nation?" Why not create a desire and demand for corn bread by an enacted legal ratio? Why not make it legal to offer guests sixteen ounces of corn bread in lieu of every ounce of wheat bread demanded?

If metallic money must be regulated by ratios why not foods?

And if value in money may be all fiat and the money good why may not fattening food be likewise all fiat?

No man who raves against capital and endeavors to array the so-called poor against the so-called rich is fit to be elected to any legislature.

#### IN THE HANDS OF A RECEIVER.

October 3, 1898, the following letter reached the author of Coin's Financial School and found him ready with cheerful alacrity to accept from the assignees the position of receiver for an exploded corporation of silver mine and bullion owners.

"Mr. W. H. Harvey, Chicago, Ill.—Dear Sir: The undersigned committee on ways and means, to further the cause of bimetalism and the overthrow of corrupt republican domination of this country, tenders you the position of general manager of its work. You will observe that the committee represents not only the democratic party, but the allied forces that are working with it for the protection of the Republic and free institutions, and it is in a spirit of harmony and true patriotism that we desire your assistance.

"JAMES K. JONES.

"WILLIAM J. STONE.

"JOHN P. ALTGELD.

"WILLIAM V. ALLEN.

"HENRY M. TELLER."

Mr. Harvey has notified the committee of his acceptance of the position, and has opened an office in the Unity building, Chicago.

The Jones-Stone-Teller-Allen-Altgeld epistle is too modest, as anyone may observe, when it assumes to represent "not only the democratic party, but the allied forces that are working with it for the protection of the Republic."

The authors of that letter are giant guardians of the plain people.

Each signer of that purely patriotic epistle can point with pride to great benefits which his statesmanship has bestowed upon plain people!

And it must wound their affectionate and delicate sensibilities to place corporate bimetalism in the hands of a receiver. But their sorrow is softened, no doubt, by the fact that Coin Harvey is the receiver and that if all the asses he has converted to his financial views can be used as assets, he will make the best possible showing for the fallacies which have failed.

#### POYNTER AND STAR POINTER.

There is a man named Poynter trying to become governor of Nebraska who really believes that government can evolve value from nothingness by the mere magic of a "be-it-enacted." This Mr. Poynter, who was not long ago a distinguished prohibitionist, may have experienced pangs for fear that a bibulous legislature might make rainwater into beer or