

of a remedy. As Cockran had declared that among the means of reducing the power of a trust tariff protection should be withdrawn from it, Bryan, in order to antagonize him, disputed this, and his supporters will be pained to have such a big spoke knocked out of their wheel. For the rest he contented himself with running up and down the gamut of "solemn warnings" and "viewing with alarm." The situation affected him badly, and there ran through his speech an undertone of conviction that *Bryan himself is the remedy for all public evils*. He is evidently of opinion that he is a pill that will cure the national liver of its torpidity, and a nerve and bone liniment which will set right the sprains and bruises of the national body. When he speaks he thinks, but his thought is: "Take me. I am the arnica and the Pond's extract; the liver pad and porous plaster; the cholagogue and emulsion; no other required."

His quackery, like all quackery, depends on words, high-sounding terms and phrases. Cockran measured him perfectly when he said: "I am free to confess that when you have called an aggregation of capital a combination, 'a hydra-headed monster, an octopus,' you cast no light that can illuminate my pathway. I can understand how the use of these phrases can have some effect, as nothing frightens people so much as incomprehensible names. Let a noise be made now that we do not understand and we will all be looking out of the windows. Men can be put to intellectual flight by the terrifying noises of sound." That is the correct estimate of Mr. Bryan as a tocsin, a drumhead, a gourd full of peas, make a noise that is inexpressive of thought. His ideas of politics is copied from the Chinese idea of war. Instead of inventing defensive arms and paying attention to tactics, the Chinese military establishment encourages the invention of gongs, tom-toms and other racket-producing instruments which can make such a jargon of sound as to terrify the enemy with a noise which it never heard before and therefore is afraid of.

But Mr. Bryan is not a new invention. He emitted sound and propagated fury in 1896, and has been at it ever since. His noises are all registered and known and excite no more terror than the vesper braying of the useful jack or the matin gurgle of a Shanghai rooster.—San Francisco Call.

THE MONEY POWER.

The Douglas County organ of populism, fusion, confusion, illusion and delusion is evidently a worshiper, an adorer of "The Money Power" as a vote-compelling agency. In a late issue it gives notice to the world in general and heralds to the republicans in Nebraska especially,

the fact that the eruptions of Coin Harvey in this state have resulted in raising corruption funds as follows:

"The campaign fund of the people of Nebraska, for 1900, being raised under the auspices of the national ways and means committee, by counties, as reported through the Packers' National bank of South Omaha, to which all money and pledges are sent is up to date as follows:

NAME OF COUNTY.	Bryan vote, 1896	Cash paid in on subscription	Percentage of cash to vote	Total subscription	Per cent of subscription to vote
Antelope	1243	\$ 1 00		\$ 17 00	1 1/2
Adams	2096	77 00	4	491 00	25
Boone	1376	40 50	3	430 00	33
Buffalo	2423	17 00	5/4	180 00	8
Burt	1335	75 00	6	514 00	40
Butler	2257	32 50	1 1/2	420 50	20
Cass	2455	94 00	4	721 00	33
Cedar	1516	61 50	4	536 50	35
Clay	1752	11 00		43 00	2 1/2
Colfax	1416	15 00	1	87 00	6
Cuming	1757	40 00	2 1/3	372 00	21
Dakota	984	18 00	1 1/2	184 00	20
Dixon	1296	29 00	2	338 00	26
Dodge	2064	20 00	1	143 00	7
Douglas	11730	318 00	2 3/4	1283 00	11
Gage	2705	17 00	5/4	144 00	5
Greeley	779	46 00	6	585 00	74
Hall	1841	75 50	4	362 75	20
Hamilton	1561	47 00	3	333 00	21
Howard	1287	40 50	3	243 00	19
Jefferson	1514	6 00		227 00	15
Johnson	1243	11 00	1	188 00	15
Knox	1589	90 00	6	521 00	33
Lancaster	5677	87 00	1 1/2	734 00	14
Lincoln	1355	3 00		18 00	1
Madison	1712	70 00	4	653 00	38
Merrick	1020	44 50	4 1/2	151 50	15
Nance	959	31 00	3	210 00	21
Nemaha	1927	52 00	2 1/2	696 00	35
Otoe	2512	12 00	1 1/2	204 00	8
Platte	2169	89 50	4	387 00	18
Red Willow	1004	1 00		18 00	1 1/4
Richardson	2535	167 50	6 1/4	1013 50	40
Saline	2907	5 00		5 00	
Saunders	2716	86 00	3	363 00	13 1/2
Seward	2716	41 50	1 1/2	205 00	8
Sherman	859	1 00		18 00	
Stanton	832	32 00	4	338 00	40
Thurston	714	20 00	3	245 00	34
Washington	1426	32 00	2 1/4	309 00	22
Wayne	1108	31 00	2 1/2	349 00	32
Webster	1341	25 00	2	25 00	2
York	1799	47 00	3	271 00	15

Total cash to date, \$2,058.50.
Total subscriptions, \$14,535.75.

"The World-Herald will publish the list by counties, from time to time, with additions, as they are made. The table printed gives the vote for Bryan in 1896, and compares therewith the cash and total subscriptions by percentage.

"It will be observed that Greeley county has, up to this time, subscribed the equivalent of 74 cents for each vote for Bryan in 1896, and by percentage stands at the head of the list of counties. For cash, Richardson county has \$167.50 to its credit, or 6 1/4 cents per voter, and, for cash paid in, ranks first over all other counties."

ZOLA AND NEBRASKA CITY.

M. Emile Zola, of France and Switzerland, has been writing novels for a score of years with the purpose of telling the whole truth about life as it is now lived, for the benefit of both contemporaries and posterity. As there is a great deal in real life of a certain class

of phenomena which may, for convenience, be called the unashful, so M. Zola's fiction notoriously contains a large unashful element. His work appears to have been laid out, however, on such a plan that whereas his early books are composed of much unashfulness and a little wisdom, the wisdom distinctly predominates in those which came later. Along with his program in this scheme has naturally gone a corresponding change in the make-up of M. Zola's audience.

His last book has for its moral the duty of having children. Things have come to such a pass in his own land that it is known as "childless France," and successive censuses show a decreasing population. Nothing could be plainer than the proposition that those who have children shall inherit the earth, and yet there are many people nowadays who are quite content to let their line end with themselves. Not only in France, but in very many communities in our own country, there is an appalling number, how great only the physicians know, who are unwilling, and even no longer able, to bear and raise children. M. Zola's warning, that the large families must inevitably prevail over their competitors in the long-run, may well therefore cause many people to reflect elsewhere than in France.

And here comes a Nebraska City doctor with the statement, extremely gratifying to THE CONSERVATIVE, who sees in it a promise of great things for the future, that the women of Nebraska City are of a singularly high degree of physical perfection; and this he says not alone of the women of the working class but of the well-to do also. In no other place of his acquaintance has he seen children so generally desired, or even welcome; and where children are thought to be an evil, there will a train of counter evils arise, by which the physicians thrive, but which are the root of untold misery to individuals, and of incalculable ultimate harm to the community.

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