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We saw in a populist paper the other day an effort to show that Mr. Sewall is a gold bug because his firm had made some shipping contracts payable in gold. The inference attempted to be drawn from that fact, that Mr. Sewall is a gold man, is too absurd for notice if it were not for the fact that some people do not stop to reason for themselves. In the first place the shipping contracts were let to the lowest bidder and Mr. Sewall's bid was the lowest and was accepted for that reason although it specified "gold or its equivalent." (No doubt all the other bids were also for gold as we are informed that it has been the custom in sea freights for forty years.) "When in Rome a man must do as Rome does" and as Mr. Sewall is up there among the big institutions that require gold notes and gold settlements in their clearing house transactions he is compelled to have gold to transact business and to settle his obligations, then how is he to get it? Evidently he must take it in the usual business way. He makes no denial of the fact, but says he would gladly have it otherwise if it were possible under the present financial system, in which, as a business man, he must conform, and he is heartily in favor of changing the financial system. There is no silver man who reads these lines that would not gladly sell his property, his farm produce or his labor for gold and at the same time know that he was no less a silver man for doing so, and especially would he be anxious to do so, even at a little lower price, if he owed gold obligations and was compelled to have gold with which to pay them. In other words if he were quoted as Mr. Sewall is.

### BRYAN KNOCKS OUT A REPUBLICAN AND TURNS MCKINLEY OVER.

Extract from Mr. Bryan's speech at Burlington, Ia., Oct. 8th:

I come to-day to submit for your consideration some reasons why republicans should join with us upon the platform which we have adopted. The populists have already joined with us. I will say joined with us, they may say that we have joined with them, but I care not how you express it, so we are together now. (Great applause.) There is this difference between republicans who come to us and democrats who go from us. The democrats who go from us must repudiate the history of the democratic party and abandon that which has been democratic from the time when Jefferson organized the democratic party. (Applause.) The republicans who come to us have simply to stand by that which the republican party used to advocate, and which in this campaign it has abandoned. (Great applause.)

A voice—Hurrah for McKinley! (Applause and hisses.)

Mr. Bryan—My friends, I beg you to refrain from any manifestations of displeasure. I am glad to have that man here who is in favor of my opponent. I only hope that there are many such, because it is to such persons that I desire to address my remarks. (Cheering and applause.) My friend has declared his preference for McKinley. I want to ask him which McKinley he is for, the McKinley of 1890 or the McKinley of 1896.

Let me read you what Mr. McKinley said in 1890, when he was advocating the Sherman law, which added to the volume of the nation's money. He said in that speech:

"But all agree that we must have a larger volume of money and that the added volume shall be silver or equivalent based on silver."

At that time we were putting into circulation about \$24,000,000 a year under the Bland act, and Mr. McKinley advocated the Sherman act on the ground that it would increase the amount of money to be put into circulation among the people. Let me read you what he said then:

"We propose to give to the country what they, the gentlemen on the other side of the house, could not do, what they did not dare to do in four years. We propose to give the country a silver bill that will take all of the silver practically of the United States and make it available for the use of the people."

Again he said:

"Mr. Speaker, this bill is just to the silver producers of the United States, for it does what the present law, as demonstrated by every administration for ten years has not done. It takes every dollar of silver bullion that is produced in the United States and places it at the disposal of the people as money."

Again he said:

"I will not vote against this bill and thus deprive my people and my country and the laborers and the producers and the industries of my country of \$30,000,000 annually of additional circulating medium."

In 1890 Mr. McKinley declared that in the interests of his country, in the interest of the producers, in the interest of the labor, in the interest of the industries of the country he would vote to add to the \$24,000,000 already being put in circulation an additional increase of \$30,000,000. That was the McKinley of 1890. Let me read you the McKinley of 1896:

"It is not more money we want. What we want is to put all money we have already at work."

In 1890 when he advocated more money we already added \$24,000,000 to the circulation each year. This year we have no such provision. We have repealed the Sherman law and the Bland act, making no provision to utilize silver, no provision to add to the currency by the increase in our silver money, and yet when the currency is decreasing and we have decreased the money in circulation in the last two years by \$150,000,000 and yet when money is decreasing instead of increasing, the same Mr. McKinley who wanted more money in 1890, tells you now that it is not more money that we need, but to put the money we already have at work.

Which does my friend favor, the McKinley of 1890, who wanted more money, or the McKinley of 1896? (Great applause and cries of "1896.")

More than that, Mr. McKinley said in 1891, in a speech made at Toledo, that Mr. Cleveland had been discriminating against silver and trying to contract the currency, and that by LESSENING THE CURRENCY HE MADE MONEY DEARER BY MAKING IT SCARCER, and making money the master and all things else the servants. If it was wrong for Mr. Cleveland to make money dear by making it scarce, and money the master and all things else the servants, is it right for Mr. McKinley to try to make money the master and all things else the servants? (Applause and cries of "No, no.") My friends, we can support our cause by appealing to republican testimony. We can support every contention we make by quoting republican authorities, and therefore republicans who come to us in this campaign do not change their convictions, they simply change their party name. Their party has abandoned the position it used to occupy and now demands that you shall surrender for a lifetime. Shall they surrender the convictions of a lifetime? Somebody may feel like cheering for ex-President Harrison, he sent a message to congress on Dec. 1, 1890. You will remember that in 1890 they passed what was known as the Sherman law which provided for the purchase of 4,000,000 ounces of silver each month. After the passage of that bill the price of silver went up, and as the price of silver went up prices began generally to rise, and on Dec. 1, Mr. Harrison, then president, sent to congress a message, from which I will read the following extract:

"The enlargement of our currency by the silver bill undoubtedly gave an upward tendency to trade and had a marked effect on prices but this is natural, and the desired effect of the silver legislation was, by many, erroneously attributed to the tariff act."

Mr. Harrison said that the passage of that silver bill undoubtedly gave an upward tendency to trade and had a marked effect on prices. You tell us that we can not raise the value of silver by law. I point you to that law, which was not as broad as the one we propose. I point you to the limited use of silver, not an unlimited use, like we propose, and according to the president it gave an upward tendency to the market and had a marked effect on prices. And then he turned and rebuked those who had attributed this to the tariff act, and told them it was due, not to tariff legislation, but to the silver legislation. (Applause.) But, my friends, there is authority that silver legislation will do just what we claim it would do. More than that, Mr. Harrison says that that was not only the natural effect, but the direct effect of such legislation. Now they tell us that they do not want prices to rise for fear the laboring man's wages will not go so far, but then they said it was a desired effect. Since when, my friends, has this effect become desirable? Since the money changers wrote a republican platform that compels every republican to silence the voice of his conscience. (Applause.) The arguments which you hear to-day are arguments manufactured to support a platform that in your hearts you republicans of Iowa are ashamed to own. (Applause.)

When a man has worked his mind into such a condition that he can not impartially weigh legitimate evidence there is little use to argue with him. If Mr. Caudle is not in that condition and really wants to vote so that his vote will help to elect Mr. Bryan and he will come to our office where we can refer to the papers we will present facts that will carry moral conviction to his mind that there has been a trade made between his leaders and the republican leaders by which the electoral vote of Texas will be delivered to McKinley in the event the combination is successful at the polls in November. This proposition is also open to any and every populist in Haskell county. It would probably occupy all of our space to do it here, and then it would not be made as clear as we could do it in the way proposed.

If it can be possible under all the circumstances that Bradley and the state committee are personally innocent of making a deal to turn the electoral vote over to McKinley, they at least have sat quietly and allowed a self-constituted set of leaders, backed by the notorious plenary committee of three, to do it. The fact is Bradley is a mere figurehead as state chairman, mere plastic clay in the hands of the sharp and unscrupulous Harry Tracy and others of the plenary committee and their lieutenants.

If no deal has been going on between the populist, republican and gold democrat committees why have they been in secret joint conference so often? Were they merely talking about crops or the state of the weather?

Besides other times and places that these three sets of leaders have been in joint and secret caucus we will refer to Galveston, during the convention, where for three days they met together time and again. At Corsicana on Aug. 1, these three sets met and conferred together. The Dallas News, which distinctly favors the populist and republican combine, both state and national, in its press report said: "The object of the meeting was to settle a fusion, giving the republicans the electoral vote for McKinley and the populists Keady for governor." The republican leaders, Grant and Makemson, were there and in published interviews at the time said that they were there in the interest of McKinley to secure the electoral vote for him. Yet Bradley has the face to say no propositions have ever been made.

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### A Letter, and Some Comments on It.

The Free Press is in receipt of a communication from Mr. W. P. Caudle in which he gets after a candidate for a certain county office for circulating the report that the republican, gold democrats and populist leaders had made a fusion deal in Texas, and he quotes Populist Chairman Bradley to refute the charge. As the name of the candidate is not given in Mr. Caudle's letter and the public would have to guess at his identity, and incorrect guessing might do the wrong man an injury with some voters, we think best not to publish the entire letter. We will, though, give the main points he makes.

His quotation from Chairman Bradley's letter is:

"There is no authority in our party

to make a fusion unless it should be through the state committee. The republican executive committee have made no fusion proposition to the P. P. executive committee and we have made none to them. No correspondence has passed or is passing between myself and members of the Com. with reference to a fusion deal with the Rep. party. We have 15 electors in the field and they will be on the ticket in Nov." This letter is dated Oct. 7. Mr. Caudle further says: "The McDonald letter shows no fusion on electors and his reason for bolting is that the republicans will vote for Bryan and Watson and the state officers of populists. McDonald bolts the republican party because the republican party have gone the full length of our ticket and takes the nominee of the democratic party—Bryan and the populist Watson, now where is any room for fusion?"

He also says, "the republicans know that the democrats have 92 gold bug democrat nominees for congress, that on different occasions the democrat party has refused to legislate for silver, that it was the democratic party who repealed the Sherman act, thereby repealing the very and the only law for coinage of silver at 16 to 1, and the republicans know that the democratic party will agree with them this time if they should be successful, on finance. \* \* \* Being aware of all this the republican will help to have good government in Texas by supporting Keady for governor." He also complains that this candidate "accuses the peoples party of fusion when they (the democrats) allowed these people to vote with them in '94." We have here given the main features of Mr. Caudle's letter fairly.

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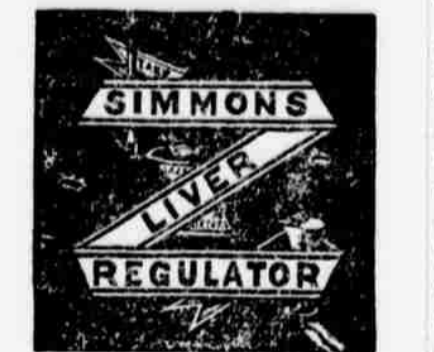
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### SILVER OR GOLD.

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press reports said "Many of those present are hand in glove with the fusion proposition whereby the gold democrats, republicans and populists will consolidate on one ticket." It further said that "many of the populist concede McKinley's election and they propose to homologate with factions that can give them material support on the state victories." A fine way, truly, to desert Bryan for a little pie for self just when they thought he was in danger. The press report concluded as follows: "The populist convention adjourned to-day, after nominating a state ticket and electors at large. Three campaign managers were named and it is understood the plans for campaign will be directed on the line of fusion with the republicans, giving McKinley the electoral vote and the republicans in turn assisting in electing the populist state ticket. There were no open overtures in this direction and no plan of campaign was mapped out along that line so far as the rank and file know but the leaders are known to favor fusion."

Mark you, these reports are by a paper that has been helping the matter along every way in its power, and not by an enemy, and no contradiction was made. That convention distinctly left the gap open by not endorsing the St. Louis nominees, leaving the electors to be instructed how to vote by the plenary committee. Some of that committee and two of the electors have openly declared against Bryan already—will you vote for them.

Another meeting of these three sets of party leaders was held at Fort Worth during the republican convention. The republicans did not put out electors nor state candidates. They appointed a plenary trading committee, elected a chairman and adjourned. To this day to the best of our knowledge they have no electors. How are they going to get the electoral vote of Texas for McKinley without voting for electors—what electors will they vote for unless it be for the Bryan and Watson electors with the understanding that the plenary committee will have them cast all or part of their vote for McKinley? The republicans have sent out a letter (we have one of them) saying "the populist and sound money democrats are our friends" and "we should assist all those who vote our national ticket" and "It is clearly within our power to carry the electoral ticket for McKinley and Hobart and carry the state for our friends."

Are these republicans misleading

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their own party to do something for which they are to get nothing in return? That is not republican style. The populist, gold democrat and republican head partners are all in Dallas. From day to day the News reports the doings at the several headquarters. The News of Oct 9th says: "There was an important conference of certain members of the republican, honest money democratic and populist plenary committees, held behind closed doors at the Oriental hotel yesterday." On the 10th Mr. Green issued an official order dismissing John Cain, chairman of the executive Com. of Washington county, "on account of, and because of, insubordination, and violation of the policy of the republican campaign." The News says that the story goes that Cain was opposed to fusion and three days later Hiram McGar, Chm. Travis Co. Rep. was dismissed on the grounds. On Oct. 11, J. R. Lasater of the Cedar Valley Populist Club, Dallas Co., published an address in the News "To all the voters of the populist party," saying: "You all know we have been sold out—that is, our electors—to McKinley" and saying "We ask all true populists that want Bryan and free silver to vote the head (electors) of the democratic ticket, and then we would like to see our leaders give our electors to McKinley. \* \* \* We will head the leaders off in that way this year, and in two years from now we can nominate our own men and show Texas how things will go." (Signed) J. R. Lasater.

These are a few of the evidences in addition to those we have previously published. We have room for so much more, but if a man will party heat aside for a little while and calmly weigh them as he would the evidence given him sitting in the jury box on the trial of a case, we think there can be but one result.

Some populists say if there has been fusion it is time we voters were advised of it so that we can vote that way. You will not probably be advised of it, the effort will be to so conduct it that the voters will vote what they believe to be an honest ballot, but which will be switched off in whole or in part to McKinley by the electors under the control of the plenary committee, two of whom and two electors have already declared against Bryan.

It is too absurd to think about for a minute that the republicans will vote for Bryan and Watson electors with the intention of having the vote cast for Bryan and relying on having the democrats in congress help them in their legislative policy. We are totally in the dark about there being 92 gold bug democratic candidates for congress as Mr. Caudle claims, or even 60 as Chairman Bradley claims. There possibly may be one here and there, scattered over the United States, mostly in the New England states where they will not be elected anyway, as the republicans will elect the congressmen there. We think that that idea originated from certain populist papers including, for the effect it will have, the bolting or gold bug democratic candidates for congress in their count as democrats, which is manifestly unfair as the regular democracy is opposing them with all its might, as strongly as if they were republicans. And the gold democrats being but a small minority they can not elect their candidates over the silver democratic or populist candidates, as the case may be in different congressional districts.

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Mr. Cretton, secretary of the populist campaign committee, was a member of the investigating committee of the 24th legislature that investigated the books of the treasurer's, comptroller's and other state departments and reported everything correct to a cent, and in their report complimented the officers. Call on your county judge and ask him to show you House Journal of the 24th legislature and then read the report with Mr. Cretton's name to it. You have had a look at the books, gentlemen and your member of the legislature "O. K." them.

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A SCIENTIFIC LANE.

Fishing, remarked the colonel, is the best way to spend the day...

You take a child and put him in a French school, and in six months he will speak French like a native...

As for fishing, the best fisherman I ever knew was a half-witted dork...

There was my old friend and neighbor, Prof. Van Wagener. He was in some respects the ablest scientific man I ever met...

Speaking of fishing, reminds me of the electrical fishing line Prof. Van Wagener invented...

"Very likely you could," said I. "But where would be the fun of playing the fish?"

"I don't see anything for sport," remarked the professor. "When I go fishing I want to catch something, and I tell you right here that I am going to invent an apparatus that will catch a fish every time..."

"And so he did, though it wasn't the sort of catch he wanted to make..."

About a week later Van Wagener called me over to his house, which was next door to mine, and showed me what he had done...

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FARM AND GARDEN.

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Some Epitaphic Hints About Cultivation of the Soil and Aerial Thereof.



During the first three-fourths of this century they were accompanied with many kinds of material, especially with lime, ash and animal refuse...

It must have been rather a pretty close effort to get the soil to be as good as it is now...

Before they were dirty out of the field the dung of the cow, the manure of the pig, the urine of the horse, and the excrement of the fowl were used...

Mrs. Samuels knew of a sort of back path by which she and the professor could reach the house without talking to the main street...

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CHILDREN'S CORNER.

TIMELY TOPICS FOR OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

"There is a Mine of Wealth Untold" - "I Cannot Afford to Do It Again" - "An Office to Which Every American Youth Ought to Aspire."



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"It's all right, Miss, I know you; but I'll keep it dark and won't split on you."

"The princess gallantly shook her head in denial. 'Ver, I do know yer' (more emphatically: 'yer Princess Maud; I twicked yer directly.'"

Princess Maud was greatly amused and she can imagine with what glee she would tell of the incident.

Got Ahead of Them. A writer in the Springfield Republican tells a story of the boyhood of Judge C. B. Andrews of the Connecticut Supreme Court...

When a girl walks she should be trained to hold her shoulders well back and to keep her arms close to her body. The chest will then be thrown out, not form an inward curve...

How to Walk. When a girl walks she should be trained to hold her shoulders well back and to keep her arms close to her body. The chest will then be thrown out, not form an inward curve...

Nothing but the Truth. One of the most striking traits in the character of Gen. Grant was his absolute truthfulness. He seemed to have an actual dread of deception, either in himself or others.

"I Cannot Afford It." A young man was invited by a friend to enter a place of amusement which, though very popular and by many looked upon as moral, would not be an uplift to him in his Christian life...

"You misunderstood me," replied the more thoughtful of the two. "I was not thinking of dollars and cents, but of precious time, and in how many more profitable ways I could spend my evening."

"What a noble answer, says a writer in Young People's Weekly. How it would rejoice my heart to know that every King's son who reads this paper had the courage to meet temptations with such a refusal!"

A Good Thing to Be President. In spite of the money he must spend in securing his position, the president of the United States, according to the Chicago News, usually makes a good deal of money during his term of office...

To Purify Water. A chemical process of purifying drinking water has been worked out by M. Allan, who does it with iodine and carbon. One part of iodine is 100,000 of water, at the end of a quarter of an hour will free the water from bacilli...

The Parental Pride. "It would be rather remarkable if a father could be found who did not believe his small child did the brightest or wittiest things ever uttered," said L. A. Collier of Columbus, O., at the Regent. "A man who has a three or four-year-old tot at home is a bore, and he cannot help it. The most ordinary remark is transformed into the brightest wit by the fond parent, and he will even stop discussing the sliver question in order to tell what his baby said. To illustrate what I mean, I have mother when any one apologizes, is in the habit of using the phrase 'Oh, don't mention it.' My little girl was very naughty one day and her mother said to her: 'Elsie, what will God think when you tell him to-night how bad you have been to-day?'"

Too Enterprising. A professional burglar of Berlin gave away his secret by sending early accounts of his operations to the newspapers and getting paid at space rates. There's such a thing as being too enterprising.



THE ILLUSTRATION SHOWS A RAM OF THE HERDWIK K SHEEP, ENGLAND.

meal has been considered profitable for application to light, sandy soils, especially to those low in phosphoric acid. During the past decade many tests have been made by various experimenters...

1. The superior value which has hitherto been accorded to undissolved bone-meal as a fertilizer is due solely to the nitrogen which it contains.

2. Undissolved bone-meal is a phosphate fertilizer in no more valuable than are the raw mineral phosphates.

3. Hereafter it must be classed with the latter, rather than with high grade phosphates containing available phosphoric acid.

4. As a phosphate fertilizer it yields no better results than mineral phosphates, whether tried alone or with superphosphate, on lands or sandy soils, rich or very poor in phosphoric acid, whether with grains or other crops.

5. The various kinds of bone-meal show no essential difference in these results.

6. The best form in which to apply bone-meal is as "dissolved bone-meal," i. e., mixed with 50 degrees sulfuric acid, at the rate of 20 per cent for raw, and 40 per cent for glue-free bone-meal.

7. For stocking land with a supply of phosphoric acid, "dissolved bone-meal" is better adapted than is superphosphate.

Protect the Trees.—If an orchard is worth planting it is worth protecting. Some orchardists of course live in localities where there is no need of protecting because there are no rodents to be a menace. But in the thinly settled regions the ravages by rodents is very great. The best protector is a shield of wire and lath, the wire being used to hold the lath together. The cost is small and the benefit great. A tree is the work of years, but it may be destroyed in a single night by a rabbit. Be on guard.

Use Moths and Weevils. This subject has been written on before but will bear repeating, as it is mostly amateur bee keepers, where bees are kept at all, that read only agricultural papers, as if they would take regular bee journals, and especially procure a bee book there would be no necessity for them to write to any one to know how to clear their bees of the moth worms, says J. W. Rouse in Journal of Agriculture. The best place a good strong colony of bees with a queen are practically proof of themselves. We have seen some so called moth proof hives, but no moth proof hive is a humbug; but if the bees are strong in numbers they

depleted of humus and given over to briars and brambles.

Propagating Plants. Best plants of the blackberry and red raspberry are obtained by cutting strong, vigorous roots in pieces four or five inches long and planting about eight inches apart in drills. Good plants are thus made in one season. Sucker plants coming up around the hill or between the rows, are also used and make good plants if carefully dug and a portion of the cross root retained. New plants of the black raspberry are obtained by covering the tips with two or three inches of moist dirt. This is the surest and best method. Cuttings of the currant gooseberry and grape may be made as soon as the leaves drop. New growth should be selected and cut in pieces about eight inches long. The cuttings may be set on one, eight inches apart in rows, leaving one bud above ground, or they may be tied in bundles, buried in sand and kept from frost until ready for setting in the spring. Good plants are also made by layering, bending the new growth to the ground and covering to the tip with moist dirt. This is the surest and best method, especially with gooseberries, which are hard to propagate from cuttings. All cuttings should be placed in rich, well prepared soil and thoroughly cultivated the following season. In severe climates protect in winter with a mulch of coarse manure or straw. There are some advantages in propagating your own plants. You can continue those varieties that do best in your particular locality and soil. You can transplant them as soon as your ground is properly prepared. You can use more care in transplanting and fill in the missing hills at leisure. The care of young and tender plants, such as young and helpless animals, creates a personal interest and love for them, which insures better protection in the future. If, however, you have not this natural personal interest within you—no affection for the things cared for—then trust the work to other hands—they will not succeed.—M. A. Thayer.

Tree Swindlers.—People in southwestern Minnesota are complaining of fruit tree swindlers selling southern trees. They bid one German farmer to the tune of \$50, and to show that they are not respecters of persons they gave his American neighbor a similar dose. They gave others the same to the tune of \$10 to \$20 apiece. They contract to do the planting, but at that time they will be scarce. There is plenty of horticultural reading and there is no excuse for farmers being swindled. Read and let those fellows alone and plant only home-grown trees.—Wisconsin Horticulturist.

Some recent experiments of the Danish experimenters in feeding hogs corn or barley, show that while corn gives the most rapid gain, barley makes much the best quality of meat.

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WE SELL

GROCERIES

And wish to sell you some of these bargains: Gold Dust washing powder 6 Pk's \$1.00 25 bar box good soap only \$1.00 Best hard twist white rope per lb 12c Dark molasses, fair quality Gal. 20c White Dove Flour per sack only 75c 6 pounds fair green coffee \$1.00 25 pound bucket good kroust, \$1.00 Good navy tobacco, four kinds, 20c Good smoking tobacco 1 lb a pipe 15c Mostly special prices to reduce stock.

BETTER CALL SOON.

MACKECHNEY, ABILENE.

LOCAL DOTS.

To S. L. Robertson's is the place to go for something fresh to eat. Judge P. D. Sanders is visiting the Dallas fair this week. In future we will sell no goods on credit, except by special arrangements. W. W. FIELDS & BRO. Mrs. W. W. Hentz is attending the protracted meeting in Throckmorton. Dr. W. A. Morris, the dentist, will remain but ten days. Dr. E. E. Gilbert is visiting his parents and attending the Dallas fair this week. Banon 7 cents, other things in proportion at T. G. Carney & Co's. Don't waste your money elsewhere. Uncle Jake Thompson brought us the finest and largest red rose of the season the other day. Parents have your children's teeth examined. It may save them trouble and you expense. DR. W. A. MORRIS. Mr. F. P. Morgan and family returned the first of the week from Brown county. It will pay every one that wants to pay cash for groceries to see W. W. Fields & Bro. before buying. They propose to sell them as cheap if not cheaper than any one in Haskell. Two new candidates for county commissioner this week. Precinct No. 1 ought to be all right, with three good men to select from. How about the other precincts. We will have a car of corn at Seymour this week for the public. If you only want ten bushels you can get it at same price as if you take a whole car. We will also have another car last of next week, and is ordered now. If you want corn come at once and get it while you have the opportunity. T. G. CARNEY & CO. Leave your watch work at the McLemore Drug Store. Promptness and satisfaction guaranteed. O. NICHOLSON, Wichita Falls, Tex

The top of a man is the most conspicuous part, and, therefore, needs special attention in the matter of hats—and can get it at T. G. Carney & Co's store.

Mr. Lee Pierson and Misses Mollie Whitman and Laura Hale attended the protracted meeting in Throckmorton this week.

I am selling very low all dry goods, hats, shoes, hats and gents furnishing goods. Call and let me give you prices. S. L. ROBERTSON.

Messrs Sanders, Scott and Rike went down to the Vernon school house last Saturday night and organized a Bryan and Sewall club.

A man's reason never forsakes him when he buys his groceries at T. G. Carney & Co's store. They put him on top by selling him at the bottom.

Rain, rain, rain. Things are pretty wet in this part of the world. A shower last week and a rain on Tuesday that lasted from before daylight until ten o'clock at night is the record.

It is now time for us to close our acts. And all parties owing us, will please come forward and make settlement with cash or by note. We can not let open acts run any longer. We must have money to pay our bills in order to get more goods to sell you—see? W. W. FIELDS & BRO.

Mr. C. P. Killough has yielded to the solicitation of friends and this week places his name before the voters of precinct No. 1 for the office of county commissioner and J. P. He states that if the people desire him to serve in that position that he will use his best efforts and ability to give them an economical and intelligent administration of county finances and affairs generally. His well known honesty and integrity as a man and a citizen is ample guaranty that he will do so to the best of his knowledge and ability.

We always try to see how much, not how little, we can give you for your money. We do it because it pays us—it brings new customers to T. G. Carney & Co.

The name of Mr. W. P. Whitman will be found in our announcement column this week for the office of county commissioner and J. P. for precinct No. 1. Mr. Whitman informs us that he takes this step at the solicitation of many citizens who think, as he does that county taxes can be reduced somewhat by reducing property—mainly land—valuations and increasing the rate of taxation and, also, that very strict economy in county affairs may help the cause. Mr. Whitman's personal character for uprightness, etc., etc., is too well known to require any eulogy in this connection. It is simply a business proposition that is presented and which should be investigated by the voters.

Candidates—Yes, we are candidates, not for office, but for your trade. Our platform is, "Good values at low prices." Vote your dollars at our store. T. G. Carney & Co.

I am receiving and will continue to receive every week fresh stock of dried fruits, green apples, potatoes, onions, rolled oats, flour, bacon, lard, sugar, coffee, canned goods, candies and all other groceries that go to make up a first-class stock, and no body will sell them cheaper than I will. S. L. ROBERTSON.

Dental Announcement.

Dr. W. A. Morris, dentist, is now in Haskell, prepared to serve you in any line of dentistry. As his time is positively limited to ten days, those parties desiring his services should call at once. DR. W. A. MORRIS.

If they tell us they want an honest dollar, we tell them we vie with them in our desire for an honest dollar, but when we attempt to define honest dollars we beg them to give us a dollar which is as kind to the man who produces wealth as to the man who holds a fixed investment, a dollar that smiles upon one man just as much as it does on another."—Bryan.

Memory is a little treacherous now and then, and causes one to forget some things worth remembering unless one has an experience like that which came to Mr. D. E. East, Moffatt's Creek, Va., who says "I had been suffering for years with a torpid liver and found no relief until I took Simmons Liver Regulator, when I was entirely relieved of my troubles. I never intend being without Simmons Liver Regulator."

To the People of the 39th Judicial District.

As the duties of my office have required my attendance upon court constantly for the past two months, and will be such that I shall have no time to lose from same before the election, it will be impossible for me, as a candidate for the office of district attorney, to in any way, make a canvass of the district, but through this medium I desire to say that I was appointed by the governor last January to fill the unexpired term of W. W. Beall, since which time I have, as such officer, prosecuted twelve men charged with felonious crime, and nine of said parties were convicted and three acquitted, and for the short time that I have had this office I am willing to compare my record with that of any former attorney of this district, and if the people, in the exercise of their prerogative, intrust me with the duties of this office for the next two years, I will make them a better officer than I have made, for I have just had the office long enough to become thoroughly acquainted with the business pending over the district. As I am the present incumbent of this office I simply invite the attention of the people to the record that I have made and ask that in their judgment, acting on a matter of the future, they give due consideration to the past, and in this I have none the advantage of my opponent, Mr. A. M. Craig for he has also been the district attorney of this district, and as such officer has a record subject to the inspection of the people.

For the short time that I have had this office I have tried to do my duty. I have never before asked the people of this district to give me an office. I have never made vows and pledges to the people of this district in hope of getting an office, the people of this district have never intrusted me with the sacred duties and responsibilities of an office, but if they will confide in me the trust and confer on me the honors of this office for the next two years, though temptations may gather around me and clouds of adversity seem to overshadow me, I will bring them back these trusts as sacred and these honors as bright as when they gave them. C. H. STEWART.

Messrs GREER & SMITH have made a splendid paper of the Pick and Pan-News of Hubbard City. The excellent advertising patronage they have is an inspiration to an enterprising newspaper man.

Johnston Bryan and McKinley by the quality of the arguments and logic dealt out to the public by them, we would estimate Bryan's lump of gray matter as something near the size of an astronomical observatory while that of McKinley would be thrown into the shade by a potato hill.

Alas for McKinley, as the New York Daily Journal aptly put it, "he is sold body and soul into the hands of the trusts, syndicates and corporations." They are the children, bred, born and matured by republican policies and laws and they have grown greater than their parent until, in its decrepitude, depends upon them for the support that gives it continued existence.

The Home Guard, populist paper of Fisher Co. says: "Marion Williams member of the populist campaign committee of Texas, has issued an address advising the Texas populists to fuse with the republicans."

As Mr. Williams is also an elector on the populist ticket such suggestions are enough to warn honest populists to be careful who they vote for on election day, if they want their votes to go in so they will count for Bryan. We are inclined to think that the Guard made a slip and quoted from a private campaign document.

It is not a little surprising to see the New York World, one of the rankest gold papers in the United States, noting the fact that thousands of people who were expected to flock to McKinley's standard are not doing it, but are holding back because he has not uttered one word against the trusts, syndicates and great monopolies and that they are afraid of his position in regard to these public cancers. It urges McKinley to speak out and declare himself against them, telling him that he is endangering his chances by his silence, and pointing him to the fact that Bryan has openly, boldly and bravely declared against the trusts, syndicates, etc., before a hundred audiences and that the people believe in his honesty and sincerity.

Some Old Chestnuts Cracked Again.

The death of honest and sensible argument on the gold side is strikingly illustrated by the course of the Dallas News, which persists in bringing forward arguments that have been answered and exploded a hundred times within a few months, yet we presume they must catch a few people who do not reason for themselves. Only a few days ago it repeated with vehemence the argument that we had paid the silver miners \$164,000,000 for silver bullion now worth only \$318,000,000, which means an ultimate loss of \$2 to every man, woman and child in the United States. Now the fact about this is that the coinage value of the silver purchased by the government is about \$25,000,000 more than the price paid for it. This is the seigniorage, profit in other words, made on the purchases. All of the silver purchased was either coined and is circulation or is represented by certificates in circulation, both going dollar for dollar with gold coin while the \$25,000,000 of net profit lies uncoined in the treasury, President Cleveland having vetoed the bill passed by a democratic congress providing for its coinage. Where does the loss come in?

Again the News repeats the charge that the silver crusade is solely in the interest of the mine owner by doubling the price of their product (silver bullion) and quadrupling the value of their property. Again it says that the mortgagee will be allowed to cheat the bank, company or individual who lent him money of half the loan by paying it in 50 cent silver dollars. Also that half of the laborer's wages will be taken for the enrichment of the mine owner by his being paid in 50 cent silver dollars. Now these two statements cross each other and one is necessarily false. If the mine owner's product is doubled in value evidently there will be no 50 cent dollars and the wages paid to laborers will not be reduced because the silver now worth 50 cents will be raised to 100 cents in value and will make a 100 cent dollar. But if it only makes a 50 cent dollar and thus cuts wages in half it will also be a 50 cent dollar for the mine owner and of course that will not double or in any degree increase the value of his bullion.

Our gold standard adversaries insist on all of these arguments with all the eloquence at their command, yet the facts and the simplest logic reveal their utter unworthiness.

We believe that the first proposition will prove true, that the mine owner's product will be doubled, but that this incidental benefit to the silver miner will work no more injury to any one than the like benefit the gold miner now gets in the free coinage of his gold, as that would give us 100 cent silver dollars, with more dollars—to the extent of the silver produced—in circulation to stimulate trade and investments. But even grant that the other proposition proves true and the first does not, the laborer will have to be paid twice as many of them for the same labor and the farmer or other producer twice as many for a given quantity of produce and no one will be loser. In other words, if we have to pay twice as many of them, they will likewise be twice as easy to get—yes, more than twice as easy, for trade and business is always stimulated by an easy (abundant) flow of money.

Some Mercury Lies.

The Culberson legislature expended \$286 for ink alone, or more than two gallons each; \$340 for lead pencils, or two dozen for each member; \$17,131 for newspapers for each member. These are only a few items in the bill of expenses paid by the cotton raisers of Texas for the economic lawmakers under the leadership of our young Christian governor.—Southern Mercury.

There isn't a word of truth in the above. It is absolutely false from beginning to end. The Culberson, or 24th legislature, didn't do any such thing. Not one cent was spent for newspapers or pocket knives for the members of the 24th legislature, and not half the ink and lead pencils were used that the Mercury says were used. It is strange that populist editors will deliberately lie about such things just to prejudice voters against Culberson.—Kaufman Sun. Hon. Byron Drew, editor of the Kaufman Sun, was a member of that legislature and knows the facts. They have to lie, Mr. Drew, in order to make out a case.

Closing Out!!

I am now closing out my entire stock of Dry Goods, Hats, Boots and Shoes.

Many goods will be sold at less than cost.

This is a genuine, honest sale; no trick about it! Of course this means strictly cash. Everybody invited to come and share in the BARGAINS Respectfully, S. L. ROBERTSON.

"I believe, and the belief touches every fiber of my being, that until we restore silver to its equal place with gold, to the place it occupied for so many years, so many centuries and so many ages, there can be no lasting prosperity brought back to the homes of those who toil."—Bryan.

SELLING OUT TOO!

Yes, ladies and gentlemen and fellow sufferers, we are selling out just as fast as we can, but not at cost, if we can help it. Our plan is to keep new goods coming all the time, and to keep on selling them out.

We don't propose to miss a sale or lose a customer, and if it becomes necessary to sell at cost to keep a customer with us, why, cost goes. We can afford to do this as well as anybody in Haskell because we have no house rent to pay and our insurance rate is lighter than others get, and our other expenses are light. It is these facts which have enabled us to sell you goods cheaper than any other merchant in town and that will enable us to hold our own in the cost racket. Try 'em all around and then see what about our prices. Respectfully, T. G. CARNEY & CO.

New Goods

Gold, Silver or Paper Money takes them at prices cut to suit the times.

We are receiving our fall stock, which has been purchased in the best markets at the lowest possible price and will be sold at corresponding prices.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION How Fusion Stands Between Watson and Sewall

Of the Haskell National Bank at Haskell, in the State of Texas, at the close of Business Oct. 6, 1896.

Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Includes items like Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, U.S. Bonds, Premiums on U.S. Bonds, Banking-house, furniture and fixtures, Real estate and mortgages owned, Due from National Banks, Due from state banks and bankers, Due from approved reserve agents, Checks and other cash items, Notes of other national banks, Fractional paper currency, nickles and cents, Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, Legal-tender notes, Redemption fund with U.S. Treasurer, 5 per cent of circulation, Total, Capital Stock paid, Surplus fund, Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid, National Bank notes outstanding, Due to other National Banks, Due to state Banks and Bankers, Individual deposits subject to check, Time certificates of deposit, Certified checks, Total, State of Texas, County of Haskell, J. L. Jones, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, J. L. Jones, Cashier, Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of Oct, 1896, S. W. Scott, S. P., Haskell Co. Tex., A. C. Foster, Director, Lee Pierson, Director.

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It will be seen from this table where the democrats and populists have come to an agreement on a division of electors—in some states by one party taking all of the electors and the other all or part of the state offices and vice versa, and in some by a division of electors only.—Mr. Sewall gets 183 electors and Mr. Watson 69 electors. The agreement in most cases being that the vice-presidential candidate who gets a majority is to have all the vote. This being the case, it is already shown that Mr. Watson is the minority candidate, so why run him any further. AGENTS MAKE from \$6 to \$12 a day in introducing the Camera. The greatest seller of the Country. General and local agents wanted all over the world. Previous experience not necessary. It sells on sight. Exclusive territory given. Write today for terms and sample photographs. Sample Camera loaded for four exposures sent prepaid for \$1.00. THE ALEX-GLEASON CO., LaCrosse, Wis. PERSONAL. FREE-64 1896 medical reference book to any person afflicted with any special, chronic or delicate disease peculiar to their sex. Address the leading physicians and surgeons of the United States, Dr. Hathaway & Co., 202 Alamo Plaza, San Antonio, Texas.