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Democracy Again for Silver.

Predictions, estimates and confidences that free silver will take a back track in next year's Democratic campaign are not as strong as they were not many weeks since. Take, for instance, the Ohio convention of last week, the enthusiasm over the declarations of the platform upon which McLean was nominated indicated forcibly the tendency toward the nomination of William Jennings Bryan and the re-adoption of the objectionable features of the platform of the Chicago convention of 1896. It is conceded generally that had not McLean yielded to the sentiment on this line he never could have been nominated for governor.

On good authority it is said that McLean had drafted resolutions which were so evasive that the committee was not satisfied, and reported a resolution heartily reaffirming the entire Chicago platform, including "the free and unlimited coinage of silver as equal in primary money in the ratio of 16 to 1, independent of all other nations of the world," and declared for the renomination of Bryan. There is no retraction of this, and the English of the resolution is unmistakably correct, and incapable of misconstruction.

While the Ohio convention was performing this act of hari-kari, Bryan was making a speech out in his native state of Nebraska, in which he emphatically said:

"I doubt whether any opposition at all to the reaffirmation of the Chicago platform in its entirety will manifest itself" in the Democratic National convention of next year, and all the indications justify his forecast. A dispatch to the New York Times from Richmond, in Virginia, also on that day, gives the information that "every county in the state has declared for free silver."

Ohio is not the only state in which the Democracy has pursued this course. In no state has gold been recognized as the standard, and free silver has been made the "paramount" issue. Bryan's nomination is better assured to-day than it has been at any time since the Democratic paralysis produced by his defeat three years ago subsided. All this has a significance that no one who is not politically blind cannot help noticing. It is certain that only a miracle can prevent the Democracy next year from repeating the mistake of 1896. The New York Sun, commenting upon this phase of the situation, comes close to the truth when it declares:

Any superfluous effort by Republicans to re-enact the gold standard already established by the act of 1873 will only the more assure that result and incite the Democratic party to even wilder efforts to substitute the silver standard. It is folly to turn away from this certainty; wisdom can only look it squarely in the face.

This is undoubtedly a fact, and it may be depended upon that, notwithstanding other issues that are being talked of, such as "anti-expansion," and "anti-trust," for 1900 the Republican party will be for gold, and the Democratic party will be for silver. The truth cannot be downed. The Democratic leaders who will control the convention fail to realize that those Republicans of the east who differ from the administration on the Philippine policy are likewise but more determinedly opposed to free silver. Moreover, that the Philippine question is more than likely to be settled by Congress long before the campaign begins, leaving this senseless issue out of the field. The Sun is right when it says that the main issue will be that of 1896, and all the voter will have to do is to take his place accordingly.

Death of a Good Citizen.

Universal regret is expressed in the community at the death of Dr. R. W. Hazlett, which occurred Saturday night, and the news will be received by the medical fraternity throughout the state with sincere expressions of sorrow. Dr. Hazlett was respected and esteemed, not alone for his standing in his profession, but for his prominence in business and social circles. He was one of the oldest citizens, having resided here for forty years, and witnessed the growth and development of Wheeling from what it was then until to-day.

The foundation of Dr. Hazlett's business career was laid just before the civil war, and was due to his knowledge of geology. While wandering in the mountains of what is now West Virginia in search of health he ascertained the fact which has since contributed so largely to the wealth of the state, that the Appalachian section was underlaid with a tremendous wealth of coal. He was the first to discover that oil existed in our boundaries, and sank the first successful well at Volcano, striking a flow of oil at a depth of but forty feet.

Dr. Hazlett particpated in the civil war as surgeon of the Second regiment, and was present and did skillful service at many important battles, which are given in the sketch of his career. In Dr. Hazlett's death the city loses one of its most noted physicians and best citizens, and the Intelligencer reflects the sentiments of all the community when it tenders sympathy for the members of his family who are left to mourn the passing away of an affectionate husband and father.

A point which has frequently been made by the supporters of the policy of suppressing the insurrection in the Philippines is confirmed by a letter in the hands of the war department, written by Isabel Atacho, a man of importance and the former partner of Aguinaldo, and containing a sworn statement that the rebellion is not aimed at the true emancipation of the country, but to gratify personal political ambitions in the guise of a so-called political system under the name of a republic; that it has not the support of the best elements of the inhabitants; that, while having for its professed object the absolute independence of the Philippine Islands, is in reality to bring the people under the most intolerable slavery—domestic slavery—and to place in the hands of a single individual—Aguinaldo—the sacred atttributes of "God, country, king." This affidavit, of which the above is the briefest summary, is published by a Manila paper, which vouches for its genuineness.

The Louisville Courier-Journal is having a great deal of amusement these days at the expense of some of its Democratic contemporaries that insist on misconstruing the President's utterances on the Philippine question. In doing so, it never fails to make a point, as, for instance, in quoting the Indianapolis Sentinel. The last named paper, speaking of the President's enunciation of the Philippine policy, said: "In other words, it is the purpose that the Philippines shall not be independent at any time, but shall remain under the stars and stripes." The Courier-Journal pertinently remarks: Which is to say that there is no such thing as independence under the stars and stripes. Wonder what flag they fly over there in Indiana?" This is a logical construction of the Sentinel's comment, and no wonder Mr. Watterson's paper could not resist the temptation to put in a word.

John R. McLean, though standing on a platform endorsing the Chicago platform of 1896, in an interview, solemnly declares there are no national issues at stake, and insists on local issues, and that, if elected, he will wage a relentless war against bosses. This might be read without a smile did it not come from a professional political boss. In at least one district—the one just across the river from here, a national feature is incorporated by the election of a successor to the late Representative Danford. Again, McLean, in view of the platform and his claim that all his interests are in Ohio, steers clear of a well known fact that he is the head of a monopoly in Washington, which has the gas consumers of that city by the throat. It balances well with the declarations against corporations and monopolies.

The National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will begin in Philadelphia to-day. We will venture to say that it will be an occasion of unusual demonstration by the veterans of '61-'65, whose patriotism has been renewed further, and fired by the events of last year, and the parts in which some of them and thousands of their sons have taken. There will be few or no "anti" speeches made. They will be the other way, and will cb for the stars and stripes, wherever they float, and cheers for the heroes of '98 and '99 who are defending them and vindicating their honor.

This is a national holiday, so decreed by an act of Congress. It is the national labor day, and all the rules that govern such occasions will be applied. A suspension of public business, such as the closing of banks, national and municipal offices, including the postoffice, and practically the application of Sunday hours, will be the order of the day. The fact that our local labor organizations have already celebrated labor day, because they so willed it, does not interfere with this observance, for the day named by the Nation is observed as a public holiday just the same.

It will be an eventful week in this community, and the prospects are for favorable weather, notwithstanding the temperature registered at nearly one hundred yesterday. The West Virginia State Fair and Exposition opens to-day, and the outlook is for the most successful event in recent years. It will benefit the entire city, and when the week expires everybody will be glad it was encouraged as it has been and will be.

The defense in the Dreyfus case is greatly encouraged. Saturday closed the third week of the trial, and there is yet no cause for any regret on the part of the persecuted officer's counsel, save the unfortunate attempt on the life of M. Labori, which act helped to turn the tide of public favor in behalf of the defendant.

If this weather keeps up the peanut and lemonade peddlers will reap a rich harvest during the week, which is the week of the State Fair. And why should they not? If it were not for the peanut and the lemonade men there would be no attractions at the fair for the younger portion of Americans that will attend.

Let everybody turn out and give the West Virginia State Fair Association liberal patronage for the enterprise it has shown this year. Merchant's Day will be the big day, but let every other day be a big day.

The fact that the Hebrews of Chicago have decided to boycott Paris and its great exposition of next year, if the verdict is against Dreyfus, is significant. This is a sentiment which may spread among the Hebrews of the entire country, and will cut down the attendance and exhibits from this country materially.

The life of the Prince of Wales is insured for $10,000,000. Perhaps that will be enough to pay his debts and at the same time keep his family out of the poor house.

PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS.

Love levels all things except its own monotony.

A wheel in the hand is worth two in the repair shop.

A homely woman who is vain doubts the accuracy of mirrors.

When a woman cuts a man's acquaintance she looks daggers at him.

The man who has a cloven breath is always taking something for it.

A young man seeking a quiet spot to kiss a girl should avoid her mouth.

Some people's idea of a necessary evil is one they don't wish to abolish.

Revenge may be sweet, but an overindulgence in sweet things makes trouble.

When a man neglects his duty he always says it resulted from his absent-mindedness.

If we could see ourselves as other see us it would be a severe blow to our ambition.

One man is probably just as good as another, but he usually considers himself a little better.

A miss may be as good as a mile, but with a designing widow in the race a man is safer at two miles.

When a woman doesn't want to express her opinion in words she merely shrugs her shoulders and that settles it.

If you want to see a strong organization look at the liquor dealers; if you want to see a weak one look at the consumers.—Chicago Daily News.

A Genealogical Joke.

Cornhill Magazine: A man applies to the college for a coat-of-arms, and was asked if any of his ancestors had been renowned for any singular achievement. The man paused and considered, but could recollect nothing.

"Your fater," said the herald, aiding his memory. "Your grandfather? Your great-grandfather?"

"No," replies the applicant. "I never knew that I had a great-grandfather or a grandfather."

"Of yourself?" asks this creator of dignity.

"I know nothing remarkable of myself," replied the man, "only that, being once locked up in Ludgate prison for debt, I found means to escape from an upper window, and that, you know, is no honor in a man's 'scutcheon."

"And how did you get down?" said the herald.

"Odd enough," retorts the man. "I procured a cord, fixed it round the neck of the statue of King Lud, on the outside of the building, and thus let myself down."

"I have it," said the herald; "no honor! Lineally descended from King Lud! And his coat-of-arms will do for you."

Unprevaricated Proverbs.

Boston Home Journal: If the X-ray was applied to minds, probably the only one who would not shrink from the ordeal would be the man of consistently evil life.

After a man is thirty he despairs of finding his ideal, while a woman of thirty is apt to see hers in any unattached man of decent looks.

Justice is merely injustice from one point of view.

The less a man does the more time he has for telling what should be done.

Old age is magnified youth.

The speech of love is dangerous only when it becomes a written language.

An unprincipled man may be exceedingly dangerous as an enemy, but is infinitely more so as a friend.

A Plain Mixed Drink.

Boston Home Journal: The greenhorn who went into a place and asked for a "plain mixed drink" should have been satisfied with a nip of vermouth. Those who know claim this tipple to consist of nutmegs, Peruvian bark, mild wormwood, sweet flag, cardamon, centuary, elecampane root, gentian, angelica root, wormwood grana, alcohol, water, tonca beans, coriander seeds, cinnamon, dittany, sage, basil, iris, raisins, mint, marshmallow flowers, sweet marjeram and white wine.

Omniscience.

Detroit Journal: "The very hairs of your head are numbered!" he cried.

Though he preached to a hardened generation the multitude was not unmoved.

"And I have no doubt," thundered the exhorter, glaring ominously down into the faces of the people, "that if you are a woman, the real color of these, even, is definitely known."

Now sobs could be heard here and there.

Tommy on the School Question.

I think my folks is orful mean
Ter scold an' scold an' say
They wish vacation never came
An' school kep' every day,
Jest 'cause I woke the baby up!
But he can yell all night
An' mommer calls him "Precious Pet,"
An' thinks he's jest all right.

If my folks had ter be shut up
With fifty kids like me,
An' had ter sit upstraight, ner talk
'Ner play from 9 ter 3,
(An' teacher scoldin' most all day)
They'd want vacation, too,
An' think that school 'bout once a week
Was more'n enough ter do.

But my folks they don't know how tired
A feller gets ter hear
Jes "Tommy, stop," 'an' "Tommy, don't,"
Right straight ahead all year,
An' how I hate ter keep so still
An' watch the clock jest crawl
Ter have ter say ol' lessons
An' have no fun at all.

If my folks only made me go
Jest when it rains—or when
A feller can't play ball—why, sure,
I wouldn't mind it then!
But now there's strawberries on the hills
An' ferns an' wildflowers—say
They'll all be gone vacation time;
Can't I stay home to-day?

'Course my folks won't let me—no,
It's "Trot right straight erlong,
An' don't be late, an' study hard,
An' don't do nothin' wrong!"
Jest hate ol' school—an,' mommer, sure,
My head aches orful bad!
Can't I stay home now? Teacher?
Why she'll be more'n glad!

Have ter go? All right, my folks
Jest think I'd make a noise,
An' don't like holidays—but we
Can't get enough, us boys!
We're orful glad that Dewey gets
Us one, an' wants ter know
Why every general in the war
Can't have a day or so?

—Selected.

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REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR

Love never condescends to reason; that is why it is so reasonable.

The average woman would rather have a man think less of her and think of her oftener.

When a woman takes to collecting old china it is the first step toward collecting old men.

You can always distract a woman's attention by showing her a new doyley pattern or a baby.

A woman's idea of society is to talk and act before people who aren't her own family like she thought the world was nothing but a nice dish of strawberries and cream.—New York Press.

What the Prisoner Said.

A celebrated judge was once trying a case where the accused could only understand Irish, and an interpreter was accordingly sworn. The prisoner said something to the interpreter and the latter replied. "What does he say?" demanded the judge. "Nothing, my lord.'" "How dare you say that, when we all heard him? Come sir, what was it?" "My lord," said the interpreter, beginning to tremble, "it had nothing to do with the case." "If you don't answer I'll commit you, sir. Now, what did he say?" "Well, my lord, you'll excuse me, but he said, 'Who's that ould woman with the red bed-curtain round her, sitting up there?'" At this everybody present roared. "What did you say?" said the judge, looking a little uncomfortable. "I said, 'Whist, ye scalpeen, that's the ould boy that's going to hang yez.'"—Household Words.

PASSING PLEASANTRIES.

Employer (irascibly)—"Confound that boy! He's never here when he's wanted!" Clerk—"I think it must be hereditary with him, sir. His father is a policeman."—Tit-Bits.

Those Loving Girls—Helen—"See my new engagement ring. Don't you think George has good taste?" Mattie—"He certainly has—in the selection of a ring."—Chicago News.

Time to Stop—Jack Bachelor—"I suppose you will name him after Dewey?" Ned Newlywed—"Well—er—no. You see, Jane and I both think that Dewey has had honors enough."—Puck.

Cause and Effect—Mr. Dukane—"The sultan of Sulu came in promptly out of the wet." Mr. Gaswell—"Yes, he wished to prolong his reigny season."—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

"Do you believe Dreyfus is guilty?" "Of course I do," replied the French army officer fiercely. "Guilty of what?" "Guilty of trying to prove his innocence, of course. Anybody ought to be able to see that."—Washington Star.

Oh, Dread Disease — "Bickersniff's doctor has ordered him to cease riding in his horseless carriage for awhile." "What's the trouble?" "He's used it so constantly that he has become automobillious."—Philadelphia North American.

No Equity About It.—"Fate doesn't order these things with any degree of equity," said the young man with the up-and-down collar. "Why not?" said the girl. "For instance," said the youth, "the oyster retires for four months, but ice cream has an open season all the year round."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Be Careful — "Leonidas!" exclaimed Mr. Meekton's wife, on his return from a journey, "I am at a loss to understand your conduct when we parted. I said goodby to you." "Yes, Henrietta." "Why didn't you say goodby in response?" "I was just about to do so, Henrietta, but I checked myself. I was afraid you would accuse me of trying to have the last word again."—Nashville Star.

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