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COLDEN DEFEND BRYAN.

In the entire house of representatives, Mr. Bryan had not a single defender the other day, although the membership numbers almost as many democrats as republicans. Mr. Dolliver of Iowa, in the course of a speech on the financial bill, said that the democratic cry had been for more money. In three years of republican administration \$800,000,000 had been added to the volume of currency, more money than could have been coined by the mints in ten years if the mints had been opened to silver.

"In other words," said he, "we have done for you in three years more than you could do for yourselves. Why don't you get out of the road and let the main procession move on?" (Laughter and applause.)

Mr. Dolliver recalled Mr. Bryan's prophecy that the gold standard could not be enacted without a universal fall in prices.

"Is there a man in this chamber," he asked, "who will rise in his place and say that Mr. Bryan knew what he was talking about?"

Not a democrat arose. Mr. Dolliver paused, reiterated his question and then resumed.

"It is the confession that a question which goes to the heart of the controversy, Mr. Bryan lacked wisdom." He also called attention to Mr. Bryan's prediction that wages would fall and men would be thrown out of employment. Yet, at the end of three years of republican administration, under the gold standard, there was not an industrious man in the country without employment. The three years, said he, had removed the last fears of the republicans as to the wisdom of enacting gold legislation. It could not have been done two years or one year ago, but today the unanimous voice of the republican party was backed up by the experience of the business world.

WILL NOT HELP THEM.

The Ravalli Republican, speaking of the democratic press of Montana seeking to disrupt the republican party, says:

"They quote every expression of a few old grannies in the stalwart ranks, to the effect that the republican party of Montana will never, no never, forgive the temporary defection of the many republicans who, acting from conscientious ideas, voted for Mr. Bryan and what they honestly believed at that time to be the main hope for the prosperity of the nation. One of the standbys in this view, and one whom they delight to quote, is Hon. H. Knippenberg of Beaverhead county, who seems to hold to the idea that he represents in his own person the conscience and the brains of the stalwart republicans of the state, and who speaks as he feels personally, without inquiring into the opinions and the feelings of others equally loyal with himself to the grand old party, and apparently not caring how others think and feel. Mr. Knippenberg is an honorable gentleman; he is also a devout Christian; yet he seems to ignore the teachings of Him who preached charity and forgiveness to the erring, and takes a stand of no charity, no forgiveness, no mercy, to those who erred, not through intent, but through a mistake of heart and judgment. Mr. Knippenberg himself is not free from blame in some matters, nor from recreancy to a trust reposed in him by the republican party, for did he not, when elected, to the legislature by the republicans of his county, resign and go home because things were not run exactly to suit him, and so deprived the party of his help in that body? The republicans of the state will do what they believe to be for the best interests of the party and the state, regardless of the published opinions of a few, who like nothing so well as to see their own names in print, and seek to convey the impression that they speak for the party, when they only voice their own narrow sentiments. And the democracy will find, in the hour of conflict, that they have been leaning on broken reeds when they counted on the influence of these old women in the republican ranks.

A most interesting and valuable publication entitled "Campaigning in the Philippines," a book of over 400 pages containing an illustrated historical account of the operations of our forces in the Philippine Islands, has been received at this office from The Hicks-Judd Publishing company of San Francisco. The book is far superior in every way to anything that has yet appeared treating upon this subject, and is certainly an excellent work from every point of view. Its general appearance commends it at once as a high-class production, and closer inspection convinces the reader that the contents are in keeping with its appearance. "Campaigning in the Philippines" is a book that should be in every home in this state and we bespeak for it a very large patronage. An advance sale in Manila of over 6,000 copies shows how it was regarded by the soldiers.

Philadelphia gets the national republican convention, winning from Chicago by one vote. The date fixed is June 19 and the sentiment of the national committee was that the convention would simply be a big ratification meeting to renominate President McKinley. It was decided to make no change in the basis of representation as proposed by Mr. Payne of Wisconsin. The last republican national convention held in Philadelphia was in 1872, when Grant was renominated and elected for a second term. Grant, like McKinley, was a war president, and McKinley will be re-elected next year by nearly as big a majority as Grant received over Greeley.

The British forces in South Africa were three times defeated by the Boers last week, the fighting culminating in a big battle at Tugela river last Friday. General Buller, commanding the British, lost nearly a thousand men and eleven guns. The British press is excited, declaring that not only is supremacy in South Africa threatened, but the maintenance of the British empire is at stake.

The currency bill passed the lower house of congress yesterday afternoon by a vote of 190 to 150, every republican voting for the measure, as well as ten democrats. The democrats who voted with the republicans are Clayton, Driggs, Fitzgerald, Levy, Rupert, Souder, Underhill and Wilson, all of New York; Maaler of Pennsylvania and Thayer of Massachusetts.

The Gazette is under obligations to the Cody, (Wyo.) Enterprise for a copy of a handsomely-bound book, entitled "Last of the Great Scouts." It is the life story of Col. W. F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) as told by his sister, Helen Cody Wetmore, and is of peculiar interest to this section of the west by reason of Col. Cody's large interests in the Big Horn basin.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Tom Kent of Grey Cliff was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

Mrs. L. H. Parker and daughter Lois has returned home from a visit to Butte.

A. E. Richardson, the Crow Agency merchant, spent Sunday and Monday in the city.

Leo Simonson and F. E. Runner of Absarokee were transacting business in Billings Saturday.

O. F. Goddard and daughter Helen will leave Thursday morning for a ten days' visit at Des Moines, Iowa.

Walter Alderson and wife of Red Lodge were in the city Friday night on their way to Bozeman for a visit.

Major J. E. Edwards was over from the Crow Agency yesterday, making a trip from Billings to the sub-agency at Pryor creek.

H. S. Boals came up from his ranch in Wyoming last week and will remain in Billings with his family until after the holidays.

Mrs. C. H. Newman left Saturday morning for her old home in Missouri, being called there by the serious illness of her father.

Rev. G. C. Stall returned home Sunday morning from Great Falls, where he conducted the funeral of Captain French on Friday afternoon.

Sam Church and Ed Kennedy returned Sunday night from a three weeks' visit to the springs at West Baden, Ind., and a trip to Chicago.

Miss Anna Hendricks, the teacher of the school at Bridger, visited in Billings a couple of days last week and bought Christmas presents of our merchants.

A. B. Clements of Butte, representing the Astor Savings & Trust company, was a Billings visitor a couple of days last week, his company having made some loans in this city.

"Orley" Carter, the sheepman, returned to his partner and flock on the Musselshell a few days ago, after spending a couple of weeks in the city among his friends, the "Montgomerys."

Train Dispatcher B. L. Sperry of Livingston is in the city for a week's visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Sperry. After Christmas he will leave for New York and Chicago to receive treatment for telegrapher's paralysis,

with which he has lately become afflicted.

E. H. Hollister, assistant cashier of the Yellowstone National bank, accompanied by Mrs. Hollister, will leave Saturday for Pawnee City, Neb., to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hassler left yesterday for a visit to their old home in Pawnee City, Neb. Mr. Hassler will return to Billings between Christmas and New Years, while Mrs. Hassler will remain in Pawnee City for a couple of months.

Director Emery, Dr. Traphagen, Professor Forester, Professor Shaw and Professor Cooley, all of the Montana Agricultural college at Bozeman, who are holding farmers' institutes at different points in the Yellowstone valley, spent Sunday in Billings, coming here from Miles City, where a very successful two days' meeting was held. An institute was held in the school house at Canyon Creek yesterday and one is in session in Laurel today. Tomorrow the gentlemen will hold forth at Park City. They are being assisted by I. D. O'Donnell of Billings.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

At the Grand.

Friday, Dec. 15.—J Struck, Mo.; J M Berry, St. Louis; S G Reynolds, city; E E Snelling, Milwaukee; R R Bittinger, Omaha; G J Warracks, San Francisco; I. Simonson, F E Rabner, F J McShane, Omaha; J W Ayers, Kansas; G H Simpson, J F Daily, Columbus; J W Burton, F McVickers, E Shackleford, Neil Co.; G B Coomquest, Neil Co.; H E Parkhurst, San Francisco; R Busted, Portland; B Howard, N Y; Wm. Robinson, Wyo.; J Dean, N Y; G Lamkin, Boston; L Andres, Neil Co.; James Neill and wife, Neil Co.

Saturday.—O Schaninger, Hutchinson; J Remutt McMurde, Livingston; S G Reynolds, city; C Pollack, Omaha; S H Hardin, Wyo.; J E Edwards and family, Crow Agency; Wm. P John, Milwaukee; B Greenwood, Helena; A J Fuel, Gobo; J W Knece, St. Paul; G Evandorth, Buffalo; L L Braude, Chicago; A M Sarge, Miles City; W N Evans, Crow Agency; O H Spencer, Chicago; W S Douglass, Chicago; E Shaw, F W Traphagen, R A Cooley, S Fortier, Bozeman; W C Janzen, Luvina.

Sunday.—O F Stewart, Chicago; A Hemphill, Chicago; E E Crawford, J M Conway, city; E W Robbins, Wyo.; C DeMaris and wife, Cody; I Ballinger, E A Richardson, Crow Agency; J G Roberts, Minneapolis; F D Merrill, Iowa; H Hillum, Spokane; J M Emery, Bozeman; H S Miller, Glendive; J M Rapelje.

Monday.—C F Stewart, Chicago; L V Daulton, St. Paul; H Huton, Spokane; Mrs. Shory, M J Elliot, Helena; J W Hathaway, Helena; L A Balch, Denver; S M Emery, S W Traphagen,

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L. L. Moffett,
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Christian Yeegen, Secretary. 61-9

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