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## MONEY A GOVERNMENTAL TRIBUTE.

The power to say what will be used as money is inherent in every government, and it is one of the most important, if not the most important of all governmental powers. Money is the measure of all values. When its volume is for any cause, or by any process reduced the measure is shortened, and money becomes dear and the products of labor cheap; and for that reason, if for no other, governments should not delegate any part of their powers in relation to money to private parties, or private corporations.

A deeply laid scheme for a central bank of issue is being quietly formulated, and it has the approval of President Taft. It may find its way to the statute books of this country, and afflict the producers of wealth for a time, but that will not make the scheme just or right, and as sure as the right is destined to ultimately win, just so sure another General Jackson will come forth at the command of the Aldrich plan of issue, the same as "Old Hickory" expelled the Central Bank when he was president.

## THE "BACK TO IOWA" CRY.

The crop failures, due to drought in many sections of the west during the present year and last year, have turned the tide of emigration back to Iowa. Instead of being full of locals noting the departure of families to the Dakotas and elsewhere, our exchanges are now chronicling the return of many of the prodigals.

We extract the following special from the Register and Leader of last Friday:

"On nearly every train that runs through the northern section of the state, immigrants are returning to Iowa. Fifteen years ago, the flow was toward the Dakotas and Montana; six years ago it was toward Canada; now the cry is 'Back to Iowa!'"

"Emmet county is only a fair illustration of a dozen different counties around here. During the past three weeks eighty-three families which had moved out of the county and had sought new homes in the west and northwest, have returned. In some cases they had sold their farms and come back farmless, but willing to try it all over again. Of this number leaving Emmet county, not one returns as well off as when they left."

## SENATOR CUMMINS' WAINING POPULARITY.

Iowa's senior senator deserves the criticism and ridicule which is being heaped upon him. He is repudiating his own record and destroying the bridge over which he found his way to a seat in the upper house of congress.

Before there was any reciprocity bill to be voted upon, Mr. Cummins was loudly in favor of reciprocity, and especially in reference to the free admission into this country of Canadian wheat. He was also quite certain that our present tariff was a shelter for monopoly.

Mr. Cummins' present speeches, when stripped of their special pleading, are admissions that our present tariff laws are wrong, but that he wants a part of the wrong for his Iowa constituents.

That kind of talk provokes ridicule and discredits the speaker in the state he represents. Morally Mr. Cummins might with equal propriety say, that, inasmuch as a grand larceny was being committed, he wanted a share of the loot for his Iowa constituents.

## W. C. BROWN'S SENATORIAL ASPIRATIONS.

When a boy W. C. Brown, president of the New York Central, lived and worked on an Iowa farm. After he became rich and influential he purchased a 700 acre farm near Clarinda, Iowa, and has invested in the stock of Iowa and Minnesota creameries and perhaps in many other Iowa enterprises. It has been reported for some time that President Brown claimed a residence in Iowa, and now a Des Moines dispatch of the 11th inst. announces that he will enter the primaries next year and contest with Judge Kenyon for the senatorial nomination. That Mr. Brown will do so is possible, but not probable.

## UNIVERSAL ARBITRATION.

It begins to look as though all of the nations, or rather the entire human race, was upon the threshold of the greatest change for the better that the world has ever known. Universal arbitration is gaining ground in every civilized land. What a grandly better place this world will be when the justice and common sense of the majority is sufficiently powerful to restrain, to hold in check, the predatory and the quarrelsome, and when all countries and all peoples submit to the decrees of universal law. Then in the language of the poet:

"The war drums will throb no longer and the battle flags will be furled,  
In the Parliament of man, the Federation of the world."

## SENATOR CLARK SEES DOOM OF PROTECTION IN CANADIAN PACT.

Senator Clark of Wyoming, who is familiarly called Cal. Clark by the people of Manchester, turned to his republican colleagues in the senate a few days ago and said:

"You are turning the grindstone to sharpen the scythe that will put the hide of protection on the fence all over this country. You are opening the tent and the camel's head will be in, and it will not be very long before the camel will be in and you will be out, my republican friends."

You are right Cal, as you usually are. Canadian reciprocity will expose the injustice, the shams, the immorality of tariffs, the primary object of which is the taking of money away from the many and the giving of it to a favored few under the misleading and deceptive alibi, protection.

## CLEAR COLD WATER NOT NECESSARILY PURE.

At times like the present, if not at all times, there is nothing more conducive to good health than good water.

The United States government has just completed an examination of underground waters in southern Minnesota and their sanitary conditions, and has issued a bulletin relative thereto from which we extract the following:

"The investigation developed the fact that the domestic water supply of most of the village inhabitants of southern Minnesota is derived from shallow, open wells, which, in settlements without sewer systems, are necessarily near one or more privies or cesspools. An examination of eleven of these wells situated in many different villages showed the presence of bacillus coli, one of them an indication of contamination by human or other animal excreta.

This situation is an argument for higher ideals of cleanliness and sanitation in the villages engaged in the investigation. Every community, it is stated, should aim to procure an adequate and safe source of water supply, to install an efficient system of waterworks with mains reaching every home, and to construct an approved and extensive system of sewers.

The report, a copy of which may be obtained free on application to the Director of the Geological Survey at Washington, D. C., states that the people should be educated in the elementary principles of sanitation. When once they comprehend that in drinking the clear, cold water from their shallow private wells they are imbibing the bacteria and seepage from their privies or barnyards, and when, furthermore, they understand that better conditions are within their reach, they will be ready to do their part in the work of improvement."

In his Chautauqua address in this city Ex-Governor Folk tersely stated a great truth when he said: "It would be better for the people of this country if they could have more of the golden rule and less of the rule of gold."

Great Britain may occupy first place in the naval world, Germany her same position in the military world, but America is leader of the commercial world, which after all, makes the other two. Peace lasts longer than war, and the nation that excels in the arts of peace should, sooner or later, be able to dictate in a kind and peaceable way, world wide terms of peace.

America and Great Britain are in favor of international arbitration. We let it be known that the interests of these two countries will invest a dollar in the bonds of arbitration, issued to carry on an aggressive war and that no money will be deposited in any bank that handles such bonds, and they will be more for the cause of universal peace than presidents and kings.

Only 14 senators voted for the Curran amendment to admit Canadian meat free of duty. Iowa's effort is not winning many laurels at the present session of congress.

## IOWA MAKING GOOD LAND.

At a Cost of \$5 an Acre Will Reclaim 3,000,000 Acres.

The farmers of Iowa are spending on a vast project to drain their swamp lands three-quarters as much money as the United States government is paying to build the Panama Canal. They have already used \$5,000,000 in the work, and the total cost of the improvement when finished is estimated at \$307,000,000. It is expected that hundreds of thousands of acres will be added to the tillable area of the state, acres which during ages have been accumulating richness washed down upon them from higher land as well as by decay of their own swamp vegetation, acres which need only to be released from the embarrassment of too much water to demonstrate their wonderful fertility. The millions that will thus be added to the value of Iowa are beyond the reach of accurate computation, although sanguine advocates declare that the state will be wealthier by half a billion dollars or more when the work is finished.

The reclamation was begun in 1904, and thus far nearly \$5,000,000 has been spent on public drainage ditches in fourteen out of thirty counties in which the work is prosecuted. In the remaining sixteen counties some \$7,000,000 more will be expended. In all 3,000,000 acres of farms will be improved at an average cost of \$5 an acre—Harper's Weekly.

## MISS LAURA SCHACHERER JOINS THE SISTERHOOD.

Miss Laura Schacherer, daughter of Mr. Jno. Schacherer, of West Des Moines, and a sister of Ed. Schacherer of Manchester, was inducted into the Franciscan Order of Perpetual Adoration, at La Crosse, Wis., last Wednesday. The ceremony in connection to the event took place in the morning, at 8:30 o'clock, in the convent chapel. Miss Schacherer will be known in the religious world as Sister M. Genevieve. She received her education in St. Francis school of Des Moines, from which institution she graduated. Forseeing the pleasures of the world, for a life sublime in its ideals, Miss Schacherer has the admiration of her numerous friends and former schoolmates, with whose best wishes she enters into her new station in life. She is the second daughter of the family to enter the cloister. On Thursday in company with her sister, Sister M. Theodore, she came to Des Moines for a few days' visit. Very Rev. Warming was in attendance at the ceremony, as also her niece, Innocence Dwyer, and her brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Putz of Edgewood—Dyersville Commercial.

## ONEIDA.

Miss Carpenter of Strawberry Point went the week with her brother Alva at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrow spent the first of the week at Buena Vista, the guests of relatives.

Mrs. Guy Smith and children of Des Moines visited at the Bert Haight home the first of the week.

Mrs. Henry Miller and daughter, Mable returned home from St. Charles, Minnesota, Tuesday.

Mrs. Warcham of Strawberry Point and Miss Eger of Mitchell, South Dakota, visited at the James Hough home the past week.

William Nash of Cedar Rapids is visiting at the S. T. Knox home.

S. T. Knox and son John, spent Sunday at Coggon, the guest of relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jenny spent the past week with relatives at Stanley and Aurora.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Tabor, who have been visiting relatives here the past two weeks, returned to their home at Rock Rapids Saturday.

Mrs. James Hood and Edith Horton spent Saturday with relatives at Manchester.

Mr. and Mrs. Howe and daughter Lillie returned home Saturday from a two weeks' visit with relatives at West Union and Oelwein.

The rain of last week was not nearly enough but it was considerably better than none at all. Judging from the reports of the neighboring towns, they fared considerably better than what we did.

Mrs. Fletcher, who is here visiting Mrs. Elma Schultz, was called to Washington Springs Friday by the serious illness of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Schacherer and children, Charlotte and Gregory, went to Dyersville Saturday evening to visit at the home of the former's father, John Schacherer.

Mrs. Joe Sharp was a Thursday caller at the Chas. Todd home.

Mrs. J. B. Putz and daughter Alice returned home from La Crosse Thursday evening after a few days' visit with the former's daughter and sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Amling and family were Tuesday visitors at the Joe Funk home.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hesler were Thursday traders at the Point.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Putz and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Putz were over Sunday visitors with relatives at Dyersville.

Several people from here went to the neighboring towns to spend the Fourth.

Mrs. Henry Wiley spent several days of last week with her sister, Mrs. Elmer Michael and family.

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