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A son of the famous scout, Kit Carson, killed his wife's parents near La Junta, Col., last week.

A mail wagon was held up in the streets of Chicago, Tuesday morning, and registered matter valued at \$6,000 stolen. Five men did the deed.

A Washington dispatch in yesterday's Statesman says that the Claggett-Dubois contest, at the request of Claggett, will not be taken up until the second week in January.

Natural gas of good quality and apparently of unlimited quantity has been struck at Salt Lake. A six inch well at a depth of 550 feet has a pressure of 145 pounds to the square inch.

In the make up of senate committees, Peffer, the Kansas alliance senator, is classed as a republican, and Kyle and Irby, alliance senators from Dakota and South Carolina, are classed as democrats.

A Utah murderer sentenced to nine years in the penitentiary made a will after he received sentence, bequeathing half of his estate, valued at \$150,000, to the children of the man he had murdered.

The Chinese empire refuses to take part in the world's fair. The emperor's grounds for declining to send an exhibit are that the United States discriminated against the citizens of that empire, and that Chinese could not come to the exposition without being put in a humiliating attitude, needing a special passport to be granted by a special act of congress.

Since Russell Sage's recent dynamite experience, it is said that Gov. Hill, of New York, has consented to have several detectives accompany him in his walks to and from the capitol. However offensive the idea of a body-guard to officers and prominent men is to Americans, history does not entirely justify the feeling. Our "free institutions" have two presidents assassinated, and scores of prominent men killed, to their credit.

THE WEST IN THE SENATE.

Western Senators Make a Bold Stand for Recognition.

The senators from the new states profess themselves as more than satisfied with the recognition given them by the republican caucus in the assignment of the committees. The result of the work of the steering committee has been the giving to the west and the new states positions on prominent committees never before accorded to senators—except those of long service. More important, however, is the fact that, in the words of one western senator, it places the west in a position to occupy within a few years the chairmanships of the largest and most prominent committees in the senate, which formulate and divert legislation from matters pertaining particularly to the west. The

numeral preponderance of the western senators is something unprecedented. Agriculture, mines and mining, public lands and irrigation are all controlled and headed by western senators, while upon the other great committees, which have heretofore been monopolized by eastern men, the west receives at least its proportion of positions.

This result was not however accomplished without a bold declaration by the western senators at the beginning of the session that the interests of their constituents must be protected in this manner, and that they were prepared to make an open fight for what they believed was due their section. It is proper to state Senator Caroy, who represented the newer states on the steering committee, used every effort to secure this end and that a large portion of the result is due to this work.

The western senators are hopeful of action by congress on the matter of irrigation. They are without exception in favor of some law which will cede to the states the states the arid lands. Senator Warren, who has taken great interest in this question during the summer, having been present at the conventions at Salt Lake and Omaha, will push irrigation matters to the front, and has associated with him on the committee such men as Senator Dubois and Stewart, thoroughly familiar with the needs of the west, and thoroughly competent to draft a bill which will stand the test of experience.

The composition of the finance committee is not materially changed. It has a strong majority opposed to any legislation upon the currency question which will disturb the existing law relative to the purchase of silver. The democratic members of the committee with the exception of Senator McPherson, are pronounced for the free coinage of silver, especially Senators Vance and Harris.

FINANCIAL LIGHT.

W. D. Arnett Follows up His Article on Money.

ED. TRIBUNE—In continuation of my article on money, the blood of nations, I wish to call the attention of your readers to some of the financial lights potent to all.

Look at France. In the last twenty years she paid her vast indemnity to Prussia and now has gold and silver to spare. What enabled her to do this? Simply the issue of paper money in quantities sufficient for people to do business with and she has a financial policy of her own. The light shone in some of our colonies before 1776 by the issue and use of paper money. When Massachusetts issued \$250 in paper money her prosperity was great. The English historian, Burke, said her prosperity was phenomenal. History shows plenty of light on finance. We had a short flash of financial light in 1865, when greenbacks were in circulation, sixty million dollars of which was fiat money full, and this sixty million kept close company with gold, the rest was half money. But the emissaries of the cuttle-fish gathered up these greenbacks and turned them into the bond trough and the big hogs got the slop. A little hog has no rights that the big hog is bound to respect. The little hogs were doing well in 1865 and fattening finely, but the big hogs soon got possession of the financial trough and the light went out. But the big hogs put in the financial trough the shadow of money, in form of national bank notes. National bank notes are not money for they lack the legal tender fiat of the United States. Chief of all cares in a nation is finance, for upon it depends the

prosperity of the nation, as the history of all nations plainly shows. The history of finance in the United States is a national disgrace. From 1783 to 1861 we had the use of gold and silver in a very limited amount and citizens, county and state banks, all unlawful and unconstitutional. The United States constitution says: Congress shall issue and coin money and regulate the value thereof.

We have tried the old parties for the last 110 years, and what have they done for us? They have sold us out, and they have Vulcan hard at work forging chains to bind us in poverty.

And the emissaries of the cuttle-fish are unwilling to ever let us have the small relief that the remonetization of silver would bring us. The cuttle-fish's emissaries have their grip on the government and most everything else. They have bought out our distilleries and increased their capacity so as to keep us drunk while Vulcan welds the chains of poverty upon us.

This is the plan or policy pursued in Russia with the addition of priests who go among the poverty-chained masses and tell them the greater their sufferings in this world the greater their reward in the next. Christ overturned the usury tables, but we do not see any of his professed followers doing so now; they fear the emissaries of the cuttle-fish. We can never look for financial relief from the old parties. Nothing but the creation of a new party by the great masses of the people can do any good, and even then they will have a hard struggle, for the opposers of reform are in power.

Some city and town people sneer and make light of the farmers' alliance. Let me tell such that the same forces working against the farmers are working against you, and as the farmers go under you will be in close company.

The farmers' alliance is not a political party, but a social and educational order. Everybody should be a politician now for if you don't look out for yourself nobody will for you.

Money is all we need to insure prosperity and the money I recommend is better than gold. That is legal tender bonds, as such money would be based on all the wealth of the United States, and such money would circulate throughout the civilized world. It is the fiat that makes money no difference on what the fiat is printed.

IMPORTANT BILLS IN THE SENATE.

By Mr. Cullom—To reduce letter postage to 1 cent.

By Mr. Gibson of Louisiana—providing for an income tax to pay pensions.

By Mr. Wolcott—To provide for coinage at the branch mint of Denver, Col.

By Mr. Turpie—To amend the constitution so as to provide for the election of senators by the people.

By Mr. Peffer—To amend the immigration and naturalization laws. To grant service pensions, with additional amounts to prisoners of war; to provide means for their payment and to repeal section 2 of the pension act of June 27, 1890. To reduce the number of pension ratings to ten. To abolish pension agencies and to lessen the expenses of examining boards.

By Mr. Call—To authorize the president to open negotiations with Spain as to the island of Cuba.

By Mr. Vest—To prohibit monopoly in the transportation of cattle to foreign countries. For the compulsory education of Indian children. To amend the inter-state

commerce act in reference to the export trade in cattle.

By Mr. Plumb—To provide for the free coinage of silver and the promotion of international free coinage of silver.

By Mr. Hansbrough—To prevent the sale of arms to Indians.

PROSPECTS FOR A FIGHT.

Blackfoot News.

The U. P. railway company sent one of its officials to Blackfoot, Wednesday, and paid its taxes—\$47,784.45 as per assessment of \$5,000 per mile, made by the state board of equalization. This company has never shown any disposition to resist the payment of what it conceived to be its legal taxes. All the trouble and talk that has grown out of the assessment of the road has come from a misunderstanding of duties in the matter of assessment by the state board of equalization, the county commissioners and county assessor. The county assessor as he interpreted the law assessed the company \$8,000 per mile on the road, etc., the state board of equalization lowered this to \$5,000. The

county auditor sustained the assessor, and the supreme court of the state has been invoked in due form to pass upon the case in question, but is safe to say as matters have now shaped themselves that the railroad company will, in no event, pay taxes on the additional \$3,000 a mile without a long and bitter fight in the highest court in the land.



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