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For a long time the Goldites have denounced the Silverites for inflationists. Yes, the land would be flooded with money, they have told us, worthless, 50 cent dollars, etc., etc. But most people now a day do not want money to buy English broad cloth, they want money to pay their debts and taxes, and the silver dollar will do that no matter what the bullion it is made of is worth on the world's market. Hence the Goldites find that this flood-of-money-hurrah has been a boomerang; that a flood of money is just what a people overwhelmingly in debt want. But these Goldites relying on their brass and the gullibility of the average voter now turn square around and claim that free silver will contract the currency, make money scarce by driving out gold. Now how the free coinage of silver can produce abundance, a flood of money, and contraction, scarcity of money, at the same time these gold bug philosophers fail to explain.

The income tax is knocked out. It is unconstitutional, so says five of the nine United States Supreme Judges. Income tax has been in force in England for many years past. But in this country you cannot tax large incomes. Slavery was abolished in the English dominion for many years, and was looked upon as a crime of the deepest dye by the civilized world, and yet the United States Supreme Court decided in the Dred Scott case that a black man had no right that a white man need respect. The Court held this opinion, they claimed, because the constitution obliged them to. Now this Court held that under our constitution there is no way to tax a millionaire's wealth. Under our peculiar system of government there isn't until the Supreme Court is reconstructed. We pay elect a Congress unanimous in favor of an income tax or any other reform, but unless five men on the supreme bench shall also agree to the measure, it can not go into effect. Russia is ruled by one man, this country by five. That is all the difference in the system of government of the two countries. The road of reform has a long lane ahead of it yet.

Goldites claim that we ought not to have silver because European countries do not want to take it. But this circumstance, if it is a fact, is precisely why we want silver. We want money that will stay in this country and enable us to do business. If any man wants to go to Europe to spend his money let him pay the exchange, to get gold or any other money he wants. As we have said time and again the gold standard or world-money is really giving a premium to importers, or at least equivalent to absolute free trade. We believe our people should buy their goods at home. Free silver and not tariff laws will protect all classes of people against the so called foreign competition. We can understand how honest free traders can advocate the gold standard, for the gold standard puts any nation on a free trade basis, no matter what tariff laws there be. But for a pretended protectionist to advocate the gold standard is the acme of self contradiction.

Secretary Carlisle in his speech, at Covington, Ky., last Tuesday night made the following statement: "But the free and unlimited

coinage of silver would not secure for the use of the people at any time any addition to their stock of actual money, but would simply give them less valuable money than they have now. To call a ten cent piece a dollar and declare it the standard of value would add nothing to its purchasing power—it would require ten of them to purchase what a real dollar will purchase now, and the prices of commodities expressed in dollars would appear to have increased ten-fold, when in fact nothing would have happened except the debasement of the dollar."

Now we expect at least some sense on money matters from the chief treasury officers of the nation. But here we have dust, gold dust designed no doubt to blind the people. Just mark his words. "Free and unlimited coinage of silver would not secure for the use of the people at any time any addition to their stock of actual money." Now plain that to your coat sleeve. Turn to the other part of his speech where he talks about the danger of the flood of silver dollars in case of free coinage. "to call a ten-cent piece a dollar" he says, which of course no free coinage man or party proposes. "would add nothing to its purchasing power." Well, grant for the sake of argument that it wouldn't, it would add something to its debt-paying power. This debt-paying power of the dollar is something gold bugs never mention by the way. It is a tender spot with them. They will talk about every other phase of the money question except its relation to the debtor. The Secretary never refers to them. The debtor is not in court or worthy of notice in his able effort. It is only how much a man in possession of the debtor can buy that engages his attention. He is a lawyer pleading for one class, the capitalist, the bondholder and men with a fixed salary. The laboring man out of work, the producer and the debtor is evidently a being, be he white or black, who has no right that his clients need respect in the settlement of this question.

The Secretary of course knows that that there is \$40,000,000 of debt in this country to be liquidated by dollars. But he ignores this fact altogether. We presume, he thinks that if the debtors can't get the dollars to pay with his clients will own all the property in this country in a few years. And so they will under his money policy. Perhaps it is best in the long run for this country that the gold standard prevails for a while yet, until it shall have transferred all the wealth of this nation into the hands of a few. The reform that will then come is apt to be unhealthy for the classes, but will very likely be thorough enough to be of lasting benefit for the masses.

Andrew Carnegie, the great manufacturer of Pennsylvania, has raised his men's wages 10 per cent. Carnegie is a Republican. Respectfully referred to the Tribune editor of Revolution fame.—Willmar Argus.

Yes we seem to remember that "Andrew Carnegie is a Republican." He lives over in Scotland in a castle that he has bought with money he made in defrauding the government by giving them blow-hole armor plates. Yes he is a republican, Birch, and that is one reason why we are not. He defrauded the government of millions of dollars and we presume he is under obligations to give some of it back to save his party from Populism. The old parties see now that they must do something to satisfy the people or they are gone. Hence we presume such proteges of the old parties as Carnegie are called upon to throw the laborers a sop. But how about this terrible democratic Wilson tariff bill that had to be repealed before this country could begin to do business? Less than one month ago every republican paper howled about that. But now Carnegie raises wages 10 per cent under our democratic tariff! And a republican points to it with pride! Some one said that it was a bad thing to tell a lie because you could never get through with it. For as soon as you had told one lie you had to tell another to back it up, and so on forever. Thus it is with the old party boomers. One day it is the tariff that all

the country. When events prove that false then it is something else. When everything fails, then they exclaim "Carnegie of blow-hole fame is a Republican and raises wages 10 per cent!" For shame Birch! You insult every decent Republican.

Our esteemed neighbor in the newspaper business, Birch, is hard to catch. We thought we had him, but he shies off. We challenged him to find one single misrepresentation of a material fact in Coins Financial School. Now, if Birch knows one or more such why didn't he trot them out? But instead of backing up his assertions, he begins to talk about having a committee of two appointed, "level headed fellows, none of your brain racked revolutionists or fire eaters" to decide the case! Yes, yes! If Birch could get a partial committee to his liking, a packed jury, then he will try and see what he can do! Birch is sly, indeed. But that dodge went work. But why dont Birch point out some of these misrepresentations in Coins Financial School in some leading editorials in the Argus, and let the people be the judges. We stand by our challenge. Pitch in, Bro. Birch! Don't try to crawl through the small hole of a committee. But show up these misrepresentations in the Argus and let the people decide. Ah! Birch! confess the truth, to wit: That you never read Coins Financial School, at least not before we jerked you up for your nonsensical criticism on it, and that since you read it you simply can't find any misrepresentation in it. That is about the size of it, or the Argus would have been full of them last week. Don't be afraid to let your light shine, Birch, if you have any.

The NEWS considers every citizen of the United States who says he is in favor of bimetalism by international agreement as an enemy of bimetalism and in reality a supporter and advocate of the single gold standard. Why? Because a citizen of the United States may have some influence on the question of currency in his own country, but not a particle in England, Germany or France. When we talk about something that is to be accomplished by the action of other nations for our benefit we talk through our hats, and it is simply a device of gold bugs to postpone the question and continue present conditions. International bimetalism, with the United States, England, France and Germany as agreeing factors, is an impracticability. If by some improbable coincidence of favoring circumstances an agreement should be reached, it is not at all likely that it would endure any considerable length of time. Whenever it would be to the commercial or political advantage of either party it would withdraw and would be an imbecile if it didn't. A multitude of circumstances and conditions would be likely to arise that would break the agreement. There is no half way to this money question; it is either a single or a double standard, and the question must be faced.—Moorhead News.

The encroachment of the money power, acting through corporations, now controls the dearest interests of the American people. In the days when Jackson wrote and acted, the money power centered in the bank of the United States, and was aided by the government in various ways—and the same is now true of the national banks upon a vastly increased scale. They control the currency of the country; they make money plentiful or scarce as suits their devil fish nature—at once a menace and an organized danger to the welfare of the country. They constitute a moneyed oligarchy which defies all other powers of the government. An army of corporations in alliance with every other corporation and monopoly, always acting in concert, and debauching every department of the government. It was this money power which, through agents in Congress, demoted the silver dollar and erected the gold standard, by virtue of which, multiplied millions have been wrong

from the people and taken by the corporations to build fortunes, as the world has never before known.

The fight now on for free and unlimited coinage of silver, there by placing it on an equality with gold, at the mints of the country, is a fight against the entrenched money power. It is a fight to destroy the single or gold standard, at once the crown and scepter of the money power. It is a fight of America against Europe—the people against a desperate president in alliance with the Shylock, Rothschilds; a fight which must be won by the American people if their liberties are to be maintained.

The hue and cry, set up by the advocates of the gold standard for "honest money" is in the interest of a class utterly incapable of an honest financial policy; every word uttered, indicative of regard for the welfare of the working classes is false, as would be a white, instead of a black flag, floating from the masthead of a pirate ship.

These single standard freebooters have had the gold standard since 1873—twenty-two years; and during that period affairs have been going with ever increasing speed on the road to bankruptcy. Wages have steadily decreased and now the estimate is that there are 4,000,000 idle working men in the country. While poverty, degradation and crime, on the one hand have increased, on the other hand the rich have increased their fortunes until sum totals defy exaggeration.

The money power has controlled the two old parties, and the president of the United States has become a gold standard monomaniac, and is using his vast powers to establish the money power upon a basis which will still further enable it to control the destinies of the nation.

Fortunately, America is beginning to assert herself; European dictation will not longer be tolerated. Silver is to be reinstated. "Free coinage" is the battle cry. "Dinna ye hear the slogan?" If not, you are as deaf as a corn stalk with its tasseled ears.—Railway Times.

J. J. Hill says the unemployed in the cities must go into the country and take up lands; that is the solution of the trouble with the laboring classes—and he has lands to sell. But if this is done what will become of the argument that overproduction is the cause of hard times? The plutocrats ought to get together and agree on a hobby and stick to it. Some of the people can be fooled for a while, but all the people cannot be fooled forever.—Freeborn County Standard.

STAND FIRM. Stand by the Omaha platform from top to bottom, but don't let people out of the idea of joining us in our struggle for liberty just because they can't understand it all. A good silver idiot can carry a gun and shoot as hard as the most radical Populist. Now isn't the time to squabble over small things. We want to win the fight in 1896. We need votes.—Denver Road. That is good advice.

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