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NEW YEAR'S GREETING.

WILLMAR TRIBUNE extends to
its readers a Happy New Year.
1895 is now past into history.
Hard times for property owners
especially, has tenaciously hung
on. We have just been floating
head above water. Many old
and solid business houses have
gone down forever. The future
is not at all bright. We hope
better times are in store. It is
not easy to see just how pros-
perity is to come again. But
things may turn up that may
right the ship of state once more,
and unfurl its sail to a prosper-
ous breeze. Willmar Tribune
shall try as heretofore to inter-
pret passing events as they hap-
pen on the great drama of life.

The success of Willmar Trib-
une has been all that could rea-
sonably have been expected. It
fills a real want in present con-
ditions of the public sentiment
in this section. We expect to
make it better in the future, and
to the best of our ability, voice
the true sentiment of our pro-
ducing class, the farmer. As-
sert his rights, and promote his
prosperity. By doing that we
promote the true interest of all.
We shall aim to speak of prin-
ciples rather than party politics,
and it will be our endeavor to give
due credit to any man in office
irrespective of his party affilia-
tion, that shows a disposition to
do what is fair to this section of
the country.

The fact is we are more and
more convinced that political re-
form is not going to come from
anyone political party, but from
the patriotic men in all parties.
We are convinced that a newspa-
per should not be a party organ
so far as to defend bad men in
its party, nor withhold praise of
good men outside of it. Slavish
subserviency to party destroys
the usefulness of any newspa-
per.

We extend our thanks to the
business men of Willmar espe-
cially for the cordial patronage
extended to us. And while our
circulation in the surrounding
country is such as to fully war-
rant whatever advertising they
have favored us with, it is also
a fact that the paper could not
have existed without it. We be-
lieve also that our enterprise has
been a benefit to Willmar. We
have brought trade here that
but for Willmar TRIBUNE would
not have come here. We have
faith in Willmar and its future.
Let the government remove the
shackles that now hinders busi-
ness, and Willmar will leap to
the front as the leading city of
Western Minnesota. Notwith-
standing the business paral-
ysis in the country, and the
dying groan of many a town
around us, Willmar has steadily
marched on. Business has been
good for the times. Our schools
public and private are filled, and
prosperous. A magnificent sys-
tem of electric light has been
put in, and more improvements
are on the way. The next thing
we shall have that Chicago rail-
road from the southeast. Just
wait and see.

The past is gone. Our face is
to the future in hope of better
times. We are determined to do
our share in the onward march
of progress and civilization.

LET US HAVE WAR!

The Minneapolis Tribune in
speaking about the physical as-
pect of a war with England, gives
expression to the following re-
markable language:

Let us at least have a purely material
standpoint. There can be no doubt but

that war with England, while it would
entail some suffering and losses,
would in the aggregate be of great
benefit to the United States. It would
cut off the drain of our wealth abroad
which is constantly going on. It
would teach our people to live within
themselves. The mob of American
snobs in Europe would have to elect
whether they would come home and do
their duty as American citizens, or be-
come permanently expatriated. Their
incomes from the United States would
be cut off. Our immense debt to Eng-
land public and private, would be can-
celed. There would be a marvelous
development of American industry in
every department. There would be no
trouble about money, because we are
now producing gold enough, if none of
it were exported, to serve as a basis
for an abundant currency. A war, in
short, would be the most effective pro-
tective tariff that could be devised.

From a moral and humane stand-
point The Tribune would deprecate
war. But we can see no reason why
our country has reason to dread its
physical or material effects.

We rather agree with the Trib-
une that "a war with England,
while it would entail some suffer-
ing and losses, would in the
aggregate be of great benefit to
the United States." We pre-
sume we can second the Tribunes
motion for war, without being
dubbed bloody anarchists. No
Republican will question the prop-
riety of bloodshed when sug-
gested by their great organ of
Minnesota, however much they
may be terrified when populists
talk about war.

We populists have time and
again expressed the wish that
a fiery wall separated us from
England, so that we might learn
to rely on ourselves as a nation.
But old partisans have ex-
pressed horror at that. But, lo and
behold, now the Minneapolis
Tribune comes out and tells us
that such an insolation from Eng-
land by means of a war would
lead to "a marvelous develop-
ment of American industry in
every department." Just so,
Mr. Tribune; you tell the truth
at last!

And listen further, ye small-
hearted weak-kneed old party
men, that have been scared by
"what Europe would do in case
this country should try to go it
alone on money matters or other
things." "There would be no
trouble about money, because we
are now producing gold enough,
if none of it were exported to
serve as a basis for an abun-
dant currency." See! Did you
ever! Now the Tribune has run
up the flag of independence.
Gold enough for money if we
don't export it. Of course we
have. Stop exporting our gold
our money, and the money ques-
tion will be solved. And if a war
with England will do that, by all
means let us have war.

"A war in short would be the
most effective protective tariff
that could be devised." Of
course it would, and we say let it
come. It would be a protective
tariff of some benefit to the na-
tion, for it would keep foreign
goods out, and the money of the
land in. That would be the kind
of tariff that we believe in. We
believe in an American policy for
this government. A tariff pol-
icy if you like, that places a duty
on importation of goods, and ex-
portation of money. That is
what we have been preaching
right along. And if the Repub-
lican party will not give us such
a policy without war, we say let
us have war.

But then, some doubting
Thomas may ask how a war
with England would as the Min-
neapolis Tribune says cause a
marvelous development of
American industry in every de-
partment. We answer exactly
the same way, only more so, as
in the sixties. Being shut off
from England, the government
could not borrow gold. The
miners and mints could not fur-
nish us metallic money enough to
prosecute a war. Hence the only
alternative for the government
would be to issue its due bills,
legal tender treasury notes,
greenbacks, or whatever we may
call them, to pay our laboring
people for manufacturing war
material and supplies for say 2-
000,000 men. A 1000 millions of
dollars would be issued at least.
It would make times so good that
nothing like it was ever seen be-
fore. It would set all idle men
to work at good wages. The
men so working would have
something with which to buy the
produce of the farm and pay fair
prices for it, and industry in ev-
ery department would revive as
by magic. The Minneapolis Trib-

une knows this as well as any-
body. The populists have tried
to have our government help out
the industries of the nation in
this way by undertaking public
improvement of peace and util-
ity, such as building trunk lines
of railways, canals, roads, etc.
But the old parties seem to want
to do this only in case of war.
Well, then, if war is the only
thing that will stimulate them to
act, we say, let us have war.

The Tribune mentions another
thing which it wouldn't do for a
populist to speak about. But as
it comes from such high author-
ity we presume we may be al-
lowed to say amen. It is re-
markable statement. "Our im-
mense debt to England public
and private, would be cancelled."
Populists and free silverites
have been called repudiators, etc.,
by the Tribune in the past. But
now she comes forward with a
statement of wholesale repudia-
tion such as no populist crank
conceived yet. But the Tribune
is no doubt right that such would
be the result. And it would no
doubt be a just retribution to
this robber nation that has de-
spoiled almost every people and
tribe on the globe. She alone
is responsible for the blood of
the Armenians today. Millions
of people of all tongues and color
from the Ganges to the ends of
the earth would bless Uncle Sam
as agent of the most high. And
while individuals would suffer
unjustly, as a whole the money
Lords of Great Britain has al-
ready received in the form of in-
terest, and in our product for
half price many times over all
we borrowed from them.

General Moltke said that war
had its good features. He was
right. Our leading men and
great newspapers have been
groveling in the dust to Euro-
pean aristocracy until common
people they thought they were
totally demoralized. But see
what the war spirit has done!
See how it has roused their
American patriotism! Now they
are ready to defy the world.
Now we can stand alone and no
trouble about money! See the
mighty power of the spirit of
war. We deprecate war. But
it is evidently the only thing that
can rouse the patriotism of the
masses of our people just the
same. In a war our petty party
strife will be forgotten, and pa-
triotism will once more animate
all classes of people, and regen-
erate this nation to a new lease
of life and prosperity.

But we fear we shall not have
war with Great Britain. Why?
Rotschild will say: "Hush!
Keep still! My money!" Wait
and see.

C. J.

IS SENATOR NELSON A SIL- VER CRANK?

Our prediction last week as to
the views of Senator Knute Nel-
son on the money question is ver-
ified. Read this:

The News notes that United States
Senator Knute Nelson voted for Sen-
ator Allen's resolution directing the
finance committee to report a free coin-
age bill. Now the Pioneer Press,
Tams Bixby's Red Wing Republican
and all the other gold bug organs,
big and little, will denounce Knute,
of course. They will call him a traitor
to his party, a dishonest, cheap
money man, a Populist and a repudia-
tionist.—Moorhead News.

Knute Nelson is alright, put
that down.

C. J.

Game Warden Fullerton seized
a supposed carload of fish in
the Omaha yards that turned out
to be contraband game, and con-
fiscated it to the state. It will
net the state about \$100,000.
This, we believe, is the first sei-
zure of any importance so far un-
der our laws protecting game.
Gov. Clough said last summer
that he was determined to stop
some of this wholesale game-
law violations, and it seems that
he has finally got a big haul.
Gov. Clough deserves credit for
hunting down these poachers,
that are simply murdering our
game, for the little profit they
can make on it.

Three representatives of Min-
nesota in Congress have practi-
cally become populists in every-
thing but name, and principles
and not names, is what concerns
the people. Who says that popu-
lism is not gaining converts in
these days?

CLEVELAND'S LATE MES- SAGE BEARS FRUIT.

REPUBLICANS IN THE HOUSE RE-
PORT A BILL TO ISSUE MORE
BONDS TO KEEP UP THE
GOLD RESERVE AND
RETIRE THE GREEN-
BACKS.

The first and principal section
is as follows:
No. 1.—"A bill to maintain and pro-
tect the coin redemption fund and to
authorize the issue of certificates of
indebtedness to meet temporary de-
ficiencies of revenue.

Be it enacted, etc., That in addition
to the authority given to the secretary
of the treasury by the act approved
Jan. 14, 1875, entitled "An act to pro-
vide for the resumption of specie pay-
ments," he is authorized from time to
time, at his discretion, to issue, sell
and dispose of, at not less than par,
in coin, coupon or registered bonds
of the United States to an amount
sufficient for the object stated in this
section, bearing not exceed 3 per
centum interest per annum, payable
semi-annually, and redeemable at the
pleasure of the United States in coin
after five years from their date, with
like qualities, privileges, and ex-
emptions provided in said act for the
bonds therein authorized. And the
secretary of the treasury shall use the
proceeds thereof for the redemption of
United States legal tender notes and
for no other purpose. Whenever the
Secretary of the treasury shall offer
any of the bonds for sale authorized
by this act and the resumption act of
1875 he shall advertise the same and
authorize subscriptions therefore to be
made at the treasury department and
at the sub-treasury and designated de-
positories of the United States."

The following from the Minne-
apolis Tribune outlines the gist
of this policy:

"The Democrats, on their part, con-
tended that the effect of the bond
scheme would be to retire the green-
backs by holding them in the treasury,
and said the Republicans proposed to
do indirectly just what the president
had recommended; and what they (the
Republicans) denounced. The tariff
bill, they claimed, was a strictly Re-
publican measure, and a measure for
which President Cleveland had not
asked.

Mr. McMillan asserted that there
was no need for additional revenue, as
the treasury statement showed a cash
balance of \$170,000,000.

Mr. Dingley replied that \$70,000,000
of this was in greenbacks which had
not come in as revenue, but had been
redeemed, while on their face they
constituted part of the cash balance
to pay them and would continue the
endless chain. The Republican plan
would provide for the expenses of the
government without encroaching on
the gold reserve or employing re-
deemed greenbacks."

The reply of Mr. Dingley to
McMillan that "the Republican
plan would provide for the ex-
penses of the government without
encroaching on the gold reserve
or employing redeemed green-
backs," shows that it is the inten-
tion to keep the greenbacks
locked up in the treasury.

Now look at the result of this
plan if carried out. Subtracting
the \$70,000,000 of legal tender
already in the treasury, we
have about \$400,000,000 of
greenbacks and Sherman bill
treasury notes outstanding.
These \$400,000,000 will draw out
\$400,000,000 of gold, necessitat-
ing \$400,000,000 of additional
bonds. The gold will of course
be shipped out of the country.
The \$400,000,000 of legal tender
will be retired. This will con-
tract our currency to the extent
of about \$800,000,000, two-thirds
of our present scanty volume of
money! What will we have left?
Only our silver dollars and silver
certificates about \$500,000,000
possibly a \$100,000,000 of gold
and national bank notes. But it
takes more than that to keep up
our bank reserve. Hence not a
dollar will be left among the peo-
ple outside of the bank vaults!

We sincerely hope they will
inaugurate this measure. We
believe it is just the medicine this
country needs to cure it forever
this Sherman-Cleveland money
policy.

If this policy is carried out con-
gress need not pass any tariff bill,
as the people will have no money
to buy goods for, nor to pay cus-
tom dues with. If Uncle Sam
wants revenue he will have to
take it in kind, wheat, oats and
potatoes, like the ministers dur-
ing the middle ages.

C. J.

WHAT SHALL THE HAR- VEST BE?

Hon. Haldor E. Boen, says in
the Fergus Falls Globe, that he
was elected last fall, but that he
was counted out. Very likely.
And this reminds us of the fact
that no man now-a-days has
much of a chance of election to
any responsible office no matter
how just his cause, unless he

comes down to use all the usual
small disreputable election tricks
in vogue and has lots of money
to spend either of his own or
somebody else's. A large class
of our voters are utterly indif-
ferent to their own duties as citi-
zens. A cigar, a glass of beer,
a pair of overalls or a jug of
molasses will turn them either
way. Another large class of
voters can be fooled by roo-
backed, and outrageous lies about
candidates of otherwise irre-
proachable character on election
eve. It is this demoralization of
a large class of voters that lies at
root of our present economic trou-
ble. It is not pleasant to con-
template that the welfare of the
nation, the security of our busi-
ness, our lives, and our property
lies to a great extent at the mer-
cy of these ignorant and careless
voters. Whether our school
houses can in time overcome this
radical disease is a question.
We are not near as confident of
the ultimate success of our
form of government as we used
to be. Whether 70,000,000 of
people can govern themselves is
at best an open question. The
real difficulties are just begin-
ning for this nation. We would-
n't be at all surprised if a mon-
archy would become an absolute
necessity in this country during
the next quarter of a century.
Our readers no doubt think that
we are talking now, but we will
simply point to one single fea-
ture of our present governmental
policy now in proof of its utter
weakness in a crisis. War with
England is threatened now. Yet
we have a financial system that
allows the very nation that threat-
ens us with war to empty our
treasury of gold, the only real
money we have, at the rate of
millions of dollars a day. And
then no doubt that if England
really means war every dollar of
gold will be shipped there before
measures to stop it can be de-
vised.

We may brag of our form of
government as much as we
please, here is defect that never
could have occurred under a
monarchy whose interest was
bound up in the preservation of
the nation. The question is, can
the patriotism of the people at
large save the nation from fall-
ing a prey to political party
strife?

C. J.

BIXBY-ISM.

Finally a revolt against Bixby-
ism inside of the Republican par-
ty of Minnesota is coming to the
surface. For half a dozen years
this man Bixby has ruled as a
veritable czar of everything Re-
publican in Minnesota. His
frown and his favor, and his
"elasticity of conscience," in the
words of Fergus Falls Journal,
in dealing with the party men
of the state, have played loose and
fast with everybody and any-
thing. No Republican of late
years has had a ghost of a show
in his party in the state unless
he came down on his knees to
this Grand Lama of Minnesota
Republicanism. The Republi-
can leaders have just now found
out, it seems, that a good many
of the truest men of the party have
either left it entirely, or stepped
back from all participation in its
proceedings rather than sim-
ply be a toy in the hands of this
Bixby of "elasticity of con-
science." The Fergus Falls
Journal however praises
Bixby highly. It says:

"He has a remarkable
grace all the elements
makes up a successful poli-

He works from a plan
and possesses an elastic
conscience which enables him to
do things from which others
might shrink. He is generous
to a fault and is to meet any
emergency he has to make more
promises than he can fulfill, his
incomprehensible grief always effaces
any trace of bitterness or resent-
ment which the unfortunates
may have had."

The Journal, notwithstanding
it admiration for Bixby as the
hypnotizer of the independent
spirit of the party, admits later
on that "Bixby-ism" has its dis-
advantages, and that it will
wreck the party if not corrected.
The trouble with Bixby-ism is
that it don't last. Like W. R.
Merriam, its founder, it shines
with splendor for a little while
and then it is dimmed.
The dry rot of Bixby-ism
is the most serious thing
Republican party in Minnesota

has had to confront for years.
We are of the opinion that the
party will have to take phys-
ic before it gets over it.

Well brethren, the Peoples
Party will take charge of things
while your are laid up for
repairs.

C. J.

IMPORTANT.

Peoples Party men of Kandiy-
ohi Co. should not forget, the an-
nual League meeting at Minne-
apolis Jan. 15 next. At that
meeting the policy for the cam-
paign next summer will be out-
lined. The Annual Farmers'
Alliance meeting is held the day
before, so that the delegates can
attend both. Every Farmer Al-
liance in the county should send
one or more representatives. A
good delegation ought to go down
from this county. This league
meeting will undoubtedly formu-
late or indicate the coming state
platform of the Peoples Party,
and point out on what lines the
party will move. Peoples Party
men of the county, whether dele-
gates or not, that can do so,
should go down. And all should
be sure to be at Brunswick
House, the evening of the 14th of
Jan. at 7 o'clock. There will be
reduced fares on railroads.

C. J.

Haselton stands corrected
again. In last weeks Gazette
we find the following:

It gives me pleasure to assure our
friend that the silver dollar is now
full legal tender and has been for
years—and paper money has been is-
sued and made full legal tender for
years and man presenting paper for
redemption can have his choice—gold
or silver.—Haselton in Gazette.

Now silver is not a full legal
tender, nor are the greenbacks.

The silver dollar is simply le-
gal tender "except as specified
in the contract," and greenbacks
has a long exception clause on
the back of it. What is the use
to try to stuff people on such
a simple every day matter? Mr.
Haselton either don't know, or is
willfully misleading. It matters
not much which.

C. J.

We have criticized Mr. Eddy in
the past for holding views that
we believe to be detrimental to
the interest of this section of the
country. We are just as ready
now to give Mr. Eddy credit for
his manhood in standing up in
spite of the majority of his party
against this infamous bond
scheme. We are exceedingly
pleased to see Mr. Eddy take
this stand. We shall stand by
Eddy when he stands by the
people, every time.

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