

Weekly Intelligencer.

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No wonder silver is down, there are so many big fellows lying on it.

Balance in United States treasury yesterday, \$1,235,000, the lowest in half a century.

The secret efforts to boom James G. Blaine for the presidential nomination are very loud ones.

The insanity dodge would be all right if they would make it a capital offense to get crazy insane.

It isn't near as easy to find out which is the fastest horse as it is to learn who is the "silkstock" jockey.

There is a real chance for the people's party to survive. H. Martin Williams says he will not go into it.

It looks to the INTELLIGENCER as if Gordon Cumming had knocked that "chip" off the Prince of Wales's shoulder.

Silver is beginning to have a pretty good commodity to have lying around, even in Wall street.—Windsor Times.

The men who are raising wheat must watch the tricksters and gamblers of the grain pits unusually close this year.

Geronimo the famous Mexican robber and bandit chief was killed in Arizona Sunday. Geronimo had been a very bad man.

Heavy and devastating rains amounting to cloud-bursts, and doing much damage to growing crops, are reported from Oklahoma.

Dr. Cronin's ghost, it is said, nightly appears in the house where he was assassinated. By the way, what has become of Cronin's avengers?

Joe K. Emmett, one of America's greatest comedians is dead. A fellow of infinite jest was he; he could draw a laugh from a vinegar jug.

The disbursements from the national treasury during the past month has been \$8,000,000 in excess of receipts. Carry the news to McKinley.

The slugging match between Kilrain and Slavin, the Australian, which was fought in New York Tuesday, resulted in a victory for Slavin in nine rounds.

The editors who attended the meeting of the Southwest Editorial Association at Lebanon, all speak of Lebanon and its people in terms of highest praise.

George Vest gives the Republic a severe slap square in the face when he says: "I can't see the propriety of abusing Hill and Crisp and deifying Cleveland and Mills."

The title L. L. D. was not conferred upon Gov. Francis because of his eminent attainment in Belles Lettres etc. It has another significance. It stands for the Lord Loves Democrats.

There are numerous large fortunes in cereals this year and all sorts of schemes are being set up to prevent the men who produce the wheat from realizing their just profits on it.

The opposition to Cleveland is growing. No man will be nominated for president by the democrats in 1892 who is opposed to the free coinage of silver. Mark the prediction.—Lebanon Record.

The Kansas City Star speaks of "those democrats who are fighting Judge Crisp," of Georgia. Those fellows who are fighting Judge Crisp, don't Star, are not democrats. They are Ishmaelites.

Ex-Senator Joseph E. McDonald—"Old Saddle-bags," is lying at the point of death in Indianapolis. Senator McDonald was once a prominent democrat, but went over to the goldbugs about two years ago.

A gang of Anti-Harrison republicans held a secret meeting in Indianapolis last week. The object of the meeting was to prepare to side-track Mr. Harrison and give the presidential nomination in 1892 to Jas. G. Blaine.

Governor Campbell, of Ohio, seems to be having his own way with the democratic primaries in the interior of Ohio. It is only down in Hamilton county, and up in Cleveland where his opposition amounts to anything.

The great blue and gray encampment to be held at Sedalia on the 4th of July, is attracting wide-spread attention and people by the thousand are preparing to go there. It will be a great day for the old boys as well as for Sedalia.

Governor Tillman, of South Carolina is not in favor of nominating Cleveland as the democratic candidate for president, unless the silver issue is taken out of the campaign of '92; and it must be clear to all of Mr. Cleveland's friends that the only way to eliminate this question is to push through the Vest bill or a similar measure during the session of the next congress.

Ex-Congressman McKinley having been named for governor on the republican ticket of Ohio, with a high probability platform, it becomes the duty of the democrats of that state to unite their forces and sail in and beat him.

The right kind of work will secure the active aid of all those republican farmers who have no love for McKinley, and who are after old wrecker Sherman's scalp.

The czar of Russia is evidently determined to put none but Russians on guard. It seems to be his settled policy to eliminate and root out all nationalities save that of the slav only. Preparations are being made and steps taken to drive out all Jews, Tartars and Poles. The old massacre seems to have long since disappeared, and with the slaves people killed, nothing but those of the star blood will remain.

ISSUES.

Looking back through the vista of the past one sees two clearly defined ideas of government—democracy, or the rule of the masses; aristocracy, or the rule by classes.

Essentially the majority of the people is with the democratic idea, the minority with the aristocracy.

When the people decide upon these warring ideas and separate into political parties, the great mass of population will unceasingly aggregate to that one which best expresses the idea of a government by and for the people.

A sacrifice of principle for that which is seemingly expedient; the dropping of this or that fundamental doctrine in order that temporary success may be secured, retards rather than hastens permanent good; for success purchased at the price of principle is both ephemeral and fruitless.

The aim of democracy is to re-establish the government by and for the people, to wrest from an usurping monopoly the exercise of the reins of government and place them again into rightful hands. To do this there is no need to go away from well known and vital issues, and we should cling close to the doctrines of the true faith. There are four issues upon which the next battle must be fought, to-wit:

First—The free and unlimited coinage of silver.

Second—Tariff reform as understood by the people everywhere.

Third—That exercise of civil service reform which will insure the most scrupulous honesty and exacting faithfulness in the discharge of every public trust by men in official position.

Fourth—A positive and radical reduction of public expenditures.

The party must renounce silver, unless the crime of demonetization shall have been expunged, because its demonetization was brought about by the enemies of the people, in pursuance of a conspiracy to degrade labor and make servitors of the working classes; because its demonetization was for the robbery of debtors; because there is not enough gold in or out of the ground with which to transact the business of the country; because silver is in every way fitted for the function of money, and because the law funding the government debt provided for the payment of the bonds in gold and silver coin of the ten standard value.

It must still battle for tariff reform because of the onerous tax imposed upon articles of general use by a law that protects only the rich manufacturer while oppressing the operative and agriculturist.

It must battle for civil service reform because the trusts of office are public ones and must be sacredly observed.

It must battle for a reduction of public expenditures; because public extravagance, such as demands an annual expenditure of \$500,000,000, will continually sap the foundation stones of democratic government and end in the ruin of the people through burthenous taxation.

With issues like these the party can march to certain victory; but should it sacrifice any of them upon the altar of expediency, or for the sake of any man or coterie of men; set aside some of its principles, and shape its platform to suit their views, then nothing is sure.

The party must be true to its issues, its principles, and its doctrines. It cannot afford to go to any man. The man who bears its standard must come to it.

ENRICHING BONDHOLDERS.

There is one view of the silver question that should not be lost sight of, and that is the manner in which it was demonetized and depreciated in value.

With free coinage silver would not be sold on the market for less than its coinage value. The goldbugs know this. But a large bonded debt was to be paid. The bonds had been purchased with depreciated greenbacks, and they were payable in legal tender money of any kind. In order to put money in the pockets of the bondholders, congress changed the terms of the contract and made these bonds payable in coin.

Under this contract all of the silver and gold coin, and all that could be coined, could be drawn upon to pay the debt. The next step in the plan to rob the people was to demonetize silver and thus practically make the bonds payable in gold. This would add other millions to the wealth of the bondholders and by reducing the value of all other commodities would enhance the purchasing power of incomes. The conspirators dared not go before the people with a proposition to strike down silver as a money metal, but by some means best known to those who managed the deal, they secretly put the measure through congress and no public man has been found brazen enough to defend the steal. The effect of this infamous measure was to depress the value of all products of labor until after half of the national debt had been paid the balance will purchase more of any of the staple products of the country than the whole debt would have purchased when the bonds were issued. These are plain facts. They are undisputed. Now, we hold that the democratic party cannot afford to even tacitly endorse the great wrong by a refusal to restore silver to its place in the circulating medium of the country. Isn't this fair? Isn't it right? Isn't it a proposition upon which the party can go before the people confident upon securing their endorsement?—Democrat News.

A good many democratic newspapers are becoming very active republican helpers. They not only use the arguments of leading gold-bug republicans against silver coinage, but reiterate and republish republican stories about the peoples' party in Kansas. As democracy is in no way imperilled by the farmers and laborers' movement in the bad republican states, it is not becoming in even pretended democratic papers to be meddling in a way that gives comfort to the common enemy.

Southern opinion is becoming very pronounced and outspoken against the renomination of Mr. Cleveland in 1892 on account of his anti-silver views.—Lebanon Rustic.

AMONG THE NEWSPAPERS.

The Baltimore American celebrated its 118th birthday Monday.

R. M. Embury has succeeded J. R. Allen as editor of the Pilot Grove Leader.

The name of the National Democrat ought to be changed to the National Citizen.

The Concordia Theloste has a correspondent named Moses. His other name is not given.

T. P. Sears of Huntsville, Mo., has bought a quarter interest in the Moberly Democrat for \$1,125.

Clipping a good item from a newspaper is evidently much easier work than writing the credit.

Strasbourg is to have a new paper and the Herald offers to divide its old clothes with the new comer.

The pressman of the Palmyra Spectator must have been rattled last week. He printed his paper upside down.

The Howard County Advertiser run out a sixteen page paper last week, all on account of college commencement.

W. L. Reid, one of the best newspaper men in Missouri, is again sole owner and editor of the Monroe City News.

Wellsville young people, if what the Optic News says goes for anything, are violently given to greedy speculation.

Next to jealousy and back-biting, garden trash and neighbors chicken cause more trouble in this world than anything else.—Belton Leader.

The Sedalia Gazette and Bazaar have each donated \$5.00 to aid in the prosecution of a man named Hawkins, who assaulted Mrs. Franklin Saturday evening.

One can hardly comprehend the immensity of the responsibility that will rest on one man's shoulders until he reads one of the many editorials of the Columbia statesman.

Wigginton, of the Linneus Bulletin, has been getting married, and now keeps standing at the head of his editorial columns "garlanded with cord-wood taken on subscription."

A new paper has been started at Ash Grove. It is called the American, and is managed by D. C. Allen and edited by Marion Grant Wyatt, and will support the peoples' party for a living.

Hickman Wigginton, one of the editors of the Linneus Bulletin and Miss Mamie Day of Wellsville, were married in the Presbyterian church in the latter city at 6 o'clock Wednesday evening.

Rev. O. S. Smith, of Higginsville, took breakfast at Kaiser's yesterday.—Sedalia Gazette, 18th.

Hon. Lon W. Stephens, state treasurer, declined an honorarium offered at Fayette last week.

Supreme Clerk Connor's Songs.—"I know Captain Connor, the said supreme court clerk very well," said Dr. Kincaid, of Walker. "I know him in Lafayette county before he was arrested with him in the confederate army. He is a fine man anyway and every way you take him. I shall never forget one bright moonlight night when the whole army was lying upon their arms at Fayette expecting every moment to be called out to fight."

"It was a glorious summer night. All the surrounding country was bathed in a flood of silver light which blended with the green foliage of the forest, gave a semblance of enchantment to the scene. Everything was still—no leaves rustled, no noise whatever save now and then the sullen boom of cannon far down the river where the federal gun boats lay."

There must have been some strangely solemn thoughts passing just then through the minds of that silent multitude. We had remained thus perhaps an hour when suddenly a rich tenor voice broke the stillness with the night-clearer notes of a bugle call. The men started up and then sank back upon the ground and listened in enraptured silence. It was Captain Connor singing "Annie Laurie," as he only could sing it. The far off boom of cannon from the gun boats down the river lent a sadness and pathos to the song such as never knew before or since.

"We were not called out to go for two hours or more that great camp lay in unbroken silence listening to Captain Connor sing 'Annie Laurie,' 'Swanee River,' 'Home Sweet Home' and a dozen other similar songs."—Nevada Mail.

Echoes.—Miss Mary Lynch returned home from Central College, at Lexington, Thursday.—Lee's Summit Journal.

Miss Nellie Dillingham returned home Thursday from Lexington, where she has been attending the Central College.—Blue Springs News.

It gives us much pleasure to announce that Miss Blanche Beery, daughter of our fellow townsman, Capt. H. S. Beery, was graduated in music on the 11th from the Central Female College at Lexington, and that she carried off the gold medal for general proficiency in all her studies, department and many other branches. Miss Beery was the recipient of an elegant present from her father in the shape of a beautiful diamond pin.—Canonian Star.

The Journal gives the numerous friends of Miss Nellie Dillingham in congratulating that young lady on capturing the gold medal in the F. C. C. at Lexington for progress in vocal music. This young lady has a strong soprano voice, which is toned by culture to be smooth and sweet as well. Barring unusual impediments, Miss Nellie has a bright future as a songstress. Miss Mabel Thompson, of Greenbush, also received two medals—one in art and the other for department and housekeeping. If you want a charming and good wife, young man, you should come to a North Jackson.—Lee's Summit Journal.

A Bret Harte Story From Real Life. San Francisco Reporter.

It was a tender-hearted American who saved the murderer's neck. The crows from burial in a pauper's grave. When he visited the undertaker's where lay the bodies of murderer and murderer he was promptly under the influence of liquor.

"Say, pard," said he to Carl Schubel, "that gal died afore she wanted to, didn't she?"

"Yes, sir."

"And that feller that murdered her?"

"So it is said."

"And yer's giving him a big burial?"

"His friends are."

"Yer's sayin' the gal's got to go to the potters field?"

"I am afraid so."

"Where's her mother?"

"She has none."

"But she had one, and she's got to have a square deal and be buried right. Here's \$20 to get her something to wear what's fit to be planted in. Here's \$20 to get a better coffin with, and here's \$10 for a broken wheel of flowers. Let's not have a bigger send-off than the poor girl what she killed. Good-bye, pard."

"What is your name, please? This is an act of rare generosity."

"I have a drink, pard, but my name's your own."

For Sale.—The household and kitchen furniture of William S. Cigaret will be for sale at his residence, on Third street, for the next two weeks 6-19-21.

For Sale.—A good telegraph instrument. For information call at this office.

PERSONAL.

Miss Alice Paak is home from Liberty.

M. J. Chinn spent Sunday in Kansas City.

Miss Annie Burden is home from Kansas City.

Miss Annie Schaefermeyer is visiting in Richmond, Va.

Miss Kate Wilson is visiting friends in Kansas City.

Mr. John Gordon is back from her Colorado visit.

Rev. A. A. Moore, of Wellington, was here Saturday.

J. W. Waddell and wife were in Kansas City Saturday.

Miss Mattie Grimes is breaking hearts in Higginsville.

Sam Stamp is home after a three weeks' visit in Higginsville.

Mrs. Capt. Will Gregg of Independence, has returned home.

William Morrison and son, John, spent Sunday in Kansas City.

George Nicol, of Moberly, was the guest of R. B. Dieckman Sunday.

Will Porter and Harry Earl, of Kansas City, spent Sunday here.

Mrs. L. B. Atkinson, of Conway, Ark., will summer in Lexington.

James Warren, of Higginsville, spent Sunday here.

Tom Sturges has gone to Sedalia, where he will be in the future reside.

Misses Florence Brist and Nannie Chinn are visiting in Dover.

Mrs. Dr. J. G. Crist is visiting in Chicago of her parents.

Miss Mollie Pugh, of Kansas City, is the guest of Miss Lillian Taylor.

Isaac Ryland, of Kansas City, spent Sunday here with his parents.

Mrs. L. W. Wernag and son, John, enjoyed Sunday here.

Mrs. Ed Bowman and son, Edwin, are visiting her parents in St. Louis.

Miss Carrie Nepper, of Concordia, is here visiting the family of John Mohr.

Low Barometer attended by Storm King paid Lexington a visit this week.

Mrs. H. P. McCausland is visiting relatives in Higginsville.

W. Marshall, proprietor of Commercial Hotel, Mayview, was here Thursday.

Ben Elliott, Jr., cashier of Farmer's Bank, is here.

Will Bales is here.

Miss George Gilkeson is the guest of Miss Sadie McClelland at Wellington.

J. E. Smiley, formerly of this city, but now of Moberly, was the city Sunday.

Frank Atkinson, of St. Joseph, spent several days of this week here with friends.

J. W. Riley and wife, of Kansas City, is visiting the family of J. W. Bayne, near here.

Tom Hill, Chas. Cressy and J. H. McHatten, of Odessa, were here Thursday on business.

Mrs. E. Smith, of Higginsville, took breakfast at Kaiser's yesterday.—Sedalia Gazette, 18th.

Hon. Lon W. Stephens, state treasurer, declined an honorarium offered at Fayette last week.

Mrs. G. A. Sturges and children are here from Independence on a visit to relatives.—Troy Free Press.

J. A. J. Shultz has returned to St. Louis. His family will remain at Linwood Lawn during the summer.

Mrs. Mary English, who has been visiting in Kansas City for several days, returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. by Austin of Kansas City, were here Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Thea.

Dr. Wm. Franklin is at Lexington on a business trip.—Independence correspondent.

Mrs. W. Z. Hickman and daughter, Miss Annie, and Florence Wallace, spent Wednesday in Independence.

Mrs. John Ketch is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Ketch, in Chicago. She will be here Sunday.

Misses Nannie and Lizzie Shaw left Sunday evening for Hannamsville, where they will spend the summer.

Mrs. D. H. Lyons and children, were the guests of Mrs. Lankford, near here, several days this week.

Capt. and Mrs. A. A. Leasure, of Jefferson, are expected to visit the family of Joseph Leasure, in this city, Sunday.

LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

Or How the City Saloons Watch Over the Interests of Ye-Town.

MUCH BUSINESS IS TRANSACTED.

And the New Men Instructed in the Ways of Righteousness and Peace.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. There were present his honor, C. Ben Russell, mayor; Councilmen, Carter, Egert, Long, Simmons, Steele, Waddell, Wall, and Walton; Register Messias and notaries, Marston, Handlett, and Recorder Neet. Absent, Gavin, engineer.

Councilman elect Hart having been sworn took his seat. Mr. Long, whom he succeeded, retiring.

Mayor Russell submitted the following itemized statement of the expenditures for city purposes for the past year.

Outfitting, mayor and councilmen, including assessor, catboone keeper and policeman. \$4,225 00

Public works during the year. 128 00

Cost for city offices. 128 00

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Bates City.

Generally all things are doing well. People busy both in and out of town. No boaters, hardly a drunken man to be seen.

Floyd Smiley is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Hill.

Mr. E. K. King has had his residence painted by J. K. Surber.

We have a good postoffice, well managed, and well patronized.

No saloon, no quarrelling, no fighting, no officers necessary for town government.

G. W. Gains, deputy agent for A. A. R. R. is very energetic and accomplished.

The millinery business run by Mrs. Bally, assisted by Miss Mollie Hill is prosperous.

Mr. Perry has lately completed a new store room to be used by J. B. Williamson.

P. W. Osborn lately sold at a good price for the Chicago market a large lot of fat cattle.

Dr. King, one year a resident, is justly popular, and has a wide and extensive practice.

Corn here is backward, grows slowly and is said to be bad staid, wheat generally looks well.

Mr. Hill has one of the most flourishing gardens in town, notwithstanding unfavorable weather.

Four churches, Baptist, Cumberland, Methodist and Christian. All have preaching every Sunday school, etc.