

THE PEOPLE'S MONEY

WHO WILL DENY IT?

OUR foreign debt is currently estimated at about \$5,000,000,000.

To meet the interest on this sum at 4 per cent, requires the payment of \$200,000,000 annually. Since the discovery of gold in California in 1848 our production of gold has averaged \$42,225,000 per annum. For 1894 the production of gold in the United States is given by Mr. Preston, director of the mint, at \$39,500,000, and he estimates that the production for this year will reach \$46,000,000. Americans traveling and living abroad have spent, for the last few years, probably not less than \$75,000,000 per annum in excess of similar expenditures of Europeans traveling in America. It has been estimated that American travelers in Europe spend \$8 for every \$1 spent by Europeans traveling in America, either on business or pleasure. For the five fiscal years, 1891-1895, inclusive, the merchandise trade balance in favor of the United States has averaged \$107,285,079, being \$536,429,894 for the five years. During the last twenty years the trade balance has been against the United States in only three years, in 1888, 1889 and 1893—the largest adverse being \$28,602,607 for 1888.

It is impossible to pay the interest on our foreign debt, let alone the principal, in actual gold, for even if we could command the total annual production of gold the world over it would not suffice to pay the interest on our foreign debt. Nor would all the gold ever mined in the world still in use as money be sufficient to extinguish our foreign debt if payment were demanded in gold. The gold of the world in use as money is estimated at about \$4,000,000,000, our foreign debt at \$5,000,000,000.

The major portion of the interest, as well as the principal, of our foreign debt as it falls due, must and will be paid in merchandise or not at all. In merchandise we can pay both interest and principal, but not if we persist in the policy of gold monometallism. The constantly increasing quantity of commodities that we are required to export to meet the charges of our foreign debt, as gold appreciates and prices fall, is impoverishing our people and driving us to bankruptcy. With wheat at a dollar and cotton at twelve cents we could readily pay the interest and reduce the principal of our foreign debt, but at present prices this is quite impossible.

Our foreign creditors have in many cases stipulated for payment in gold, but where payment in gold is not specifically called for it is our right to pay in full legal tender government money. To pay in merchandise we must offer our commodities at such low prices that our creditors will prefer payment in commodities to gold.

Gold is not desired of itself. It is desired only because it commands the necessities and luxuries of life. Therefore, if gold will buy more of such commodities as are desired for consumption by our foreign creditors in the United States than elsewhere, they will take such commodities in preference to gold. But under gold monometallism, to make our chief articles of export cheaper than those offered by silver using peoples, means the impoverishment and degradation of our producing classes. Our task then is to remove such competition—and raise the price of wheat and cotton and other products. This can be done by opening our mints to silver, and returning to genuine bimetallicism.—The American.

Greed for Gold.

The greed for gold has caused the present stock panic, the war cloud, and the serious position in which all the nations of Europe and of the two American nations are now directly or indirectly concerned, says the Denver Times.

England wishes to increase her stores of gold, and, at the risk of involving herself in war, she claims a part of Venezuela, where the richest gold mines of that country are located. Her attempted aggression in Nicaragua had the same object in view. Her attempt to stretch out her boundaries in Alaska simply means that she wishes to absorb the gold mining sections of that country.

After President Cleveland had sent the most patriotic and statesmanlike message to Congress that has been sent to that body within the last three decades, he upsets all the good opinions which his action had called forth by a stupid and indefinite message to Congress, asking for more gold, and giving vent to a personal and insulting tirade against the coinage of silver.

There is not the slightest chance of a war with England, but the senseless demand for a single gold standard on the part of President Cleveland may throw this country into just as expensive a blunder as a war with a foreign power would be. President Cleveland has proved himself the speculator's friend again, and a true Democratic blunderer.

Senator Morgan on Silver.

The article from Hon. John T. Morgan in the November Arena in answer to the question, "Why does the South want free silver?" is an able one from every point of view of the question. The distinguished Senator from Alabama is a man who has no superior in statecraft in the country. He shows

that the South which produces gold but not silver wants free silver because that is the only way of treating the two metals equally and restoring us the double standard. The South needs all this standard money of silver and gold for use in her industries. Silver is the active money of the common people, gold the money of the non-producer. The South will come up all right on this question. So will the West. It is in the Central States that organization is most needed.—Bimetallist.

The Shorter Catechism.

We present the following questions and answers to our thoughtful readers, in the hope that they will make plain the position occupied by Wall street in regard to this nation. Those individuals who believe that all financial men is limited to that very short street should read, learn and inwardly digest the following facts:

Q.—Financially speaking, what is the first duty of every true citizen of this republic in this and every other crisis?

A.—To do all that he can to maintain the credit of the government.

Q.—Would it be unfortunate should the treasury be depleted at this time?

A.—It would.

Q.—Is it likely that a raid will be made on the gold reserve?

A.—It is feared.

Q.—From what quarter?

A.—From Wall street.

Q.—Where does a panic strike first, as a rule?

A.—Where confidence in the government is least.

Q.—Has there been any general panic, any slump in stocks in the West, Northwest or South?

A.—No.

Q.—Has Cleveland favored these sections of the country in the past in such a way as to make them feel a greater loyalty to him than is to be found in the East?

A.—He has not; rather the reverse.

Q.—What is the "sound money" financial center of this country?

A.—Wall street.

Q.—What is it doing to uphold the treasury?

A.—Nothing. It will take every dollar of gold in the country if it can.

Q.—What is the center of the silver movement in the United States?

A.—Colorado.

Q.—What are the people of Colorado doing to show their loyalty to the government?

A.—Digging up millions of gold and silver.

Q.—What is the general attitude of the West on the war question?

A.—Millions for defense, but not one cent for bonds.

Q.—Are the people of the West selling their stocks and property at a loss and preparing to move out in case of war?

A.—No, we leave that kind of thing to the traitors who only live on our soil while they can live off our country, like the parasites they are.—Denver News.

Pay Them in Silver.

The best answer Congress can make to the President's special financial message is the adoption of a resolution instructing the Secretary of the Treasury to make payments in silver if silver is more convenient. The President's complaint is that gold is being withdrawn and that there must be a change in our entire financial system.

The change that should be made is in the President's policy of permitting these English financiers to designate the kind of money which they shall receive in payment of obligations that call for "coin." The United States has two kinds of "coin," gold and silver. Each is unlimited legal tender—either is good enough for the American citizen and either should be good enough for the English money lords.

If the President would announce a change in his policy in this matter he would win new expressions of good will. If Congress will pass a resolution instructing that this change shall be made the administration would at least be relieved of embarrassment and the people would be duly thankful.

Perhaps it would be business-like for the United States to permit England to drain it of its gold in order to place this country in a position where it could not well afford to maintain its national honor, but we do not believe it.

Pay our English friends off in silver if it is not convenient to pay them gold.

The people of the United States would tolerate another issue of bonds for the purpose of raising money by popular loan to defray the expenses necessary in demonstrating that the United States must be free from British domination, but the people of the United States will not cheerfully submit to another bond issue made for the purpose of supplying the English money lenders with gold to the detriment of our own people and the distress of our own country.—Chicago Dispatch.

Correct.

According to a German authority a new and excellent glue is made by dissolving gelatine in a solution of chloral hydrate in water. For general purposes ordinary glue may be used instead of the more expensive gelatine. This cement is said to dry quickly, to have great adhesiveness and to remain unchanged indefinitely.

The new alliance of Central American republics is to be called the Major Republic of Central America. The alliance is the direct result of the recent forced assessment of Nicaragua by England.

IT GOES TO CHICAGO.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION TO MEET JULY 7.

World's Fair City Wins on the Twenty-ninth Ballot—St. Louis Defeated by Two Votes—Gotham Gives the Lake City Her Strength.

Location Is Named.

The Democratic national convention will be held in Chicago July 7. This conclusion was reached by the committee in session at Washington after twenty-nine ballots had been taken and the struggle had gone on until well toward midnight. Starting in with but six votes, Chicago steadily gained in favor until she won the prize. At one time the number of votes cast for her was but four. Nevertheless her fitness in location won the fight for her. "It was a pure question of geography," said one of the most prominent Eastern Democrats and a member



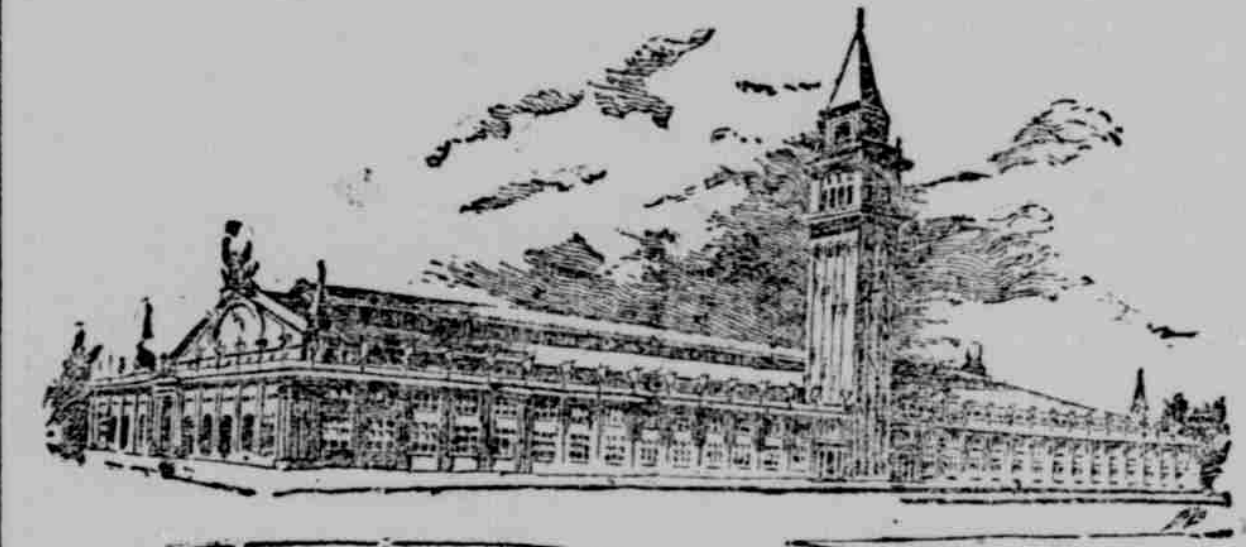
CHAIRMAN HARRY.

of the committee. There was no bluster, no buncombe speech-making, no noise of any sort in favor of Chicago, says a Washington correspondent. She won the fight purely upon her merits, and after the individual prejudices of the members in favor of other cities had given way.

The detailed vote on the final ballot by States was:

Ala.—Connecticut, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Vermont, West Virginia, Wisconsin, District of Columbia, Alaska.

THE CHICAGO COLISEUM.



WHERE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION WILL BE HELD JULY 7.

St. Louis—Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Delaware, Georgia, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nevada, New Jersey, North Dakota, South Carolina, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, Wyoming, Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Indian Territory.

Cincinnati—Ohio. Chicago was voted for on the final round by all the distinguished Democrats upon the committee. Clark Howell, Senator Gorman, Josiah Quincy of Massachusetts, William F. Sheehan of New York, William F. Harty of Pennsylvania, Bradley B. Smalley of Vermont, E. C. Wall of Wisconsin and others prominent in national or State affairs, all voted for Chicago.

The understanding is that the Chicago delegation will be expected to have a certified check for \$40,000 ready for the executive committee when it arrives in Chicago three weeks hence. This will be turned over to the committee, with the keys to the convention hall, and then the Chicago delegation will step down and out and leave the entire management of the convention in the hands of the national committee.

There is to be no appointing of sergeant-at-arms or other officers by the Chicago people, and no claim for large numbers of tickets with which the convention hall can be packed. Everything is to be left absolutely to the national committee. It is expected that that committee will allot a certain number of tickets to the Chicago people, but how many or upon what terms has not been decided. The Chicago delegation was quite willing to leave that matter in the hands of the national committee, content with getting the national convention and preferring to place the responsibility for its management in the hands of that organization, and thus avoid any criticism as to mismanagement, such as has been made with reference to a former Democratic convention held in that city.

After the location had been decided upon the committee promptly took up the question of the date for holding the convention, and the issue was soon sharply defined by two motions, one to hold it June 2 and another that it be held July 7. The vote resulted 22 to 18 in favor of July 7.

Can Handle the Crowd.

Chicagoans claim that no other city in the country can furnish anything like the facilities for handling the crowds that accompany a national convention as well as can Chicago. To obtain hotel accommodations it will not be necessary for visitors to sleep on cots in hallways nor in chairs in reading and smoking rooms, and the transportation facilities from the center of the city to the likely convention hall are ample. According to the following table forty-three hotels are ready to accommodate over 15,000 guests, besides taking care of their regular patrons:

Alabama Hotel	150
Atlantic	500
Asland	100
Auditorium	1,000
Brevort	500

Briggs	400
Chicago Beach	400
Chicago View	20
City Hotel	200
Clifton	800
Columbia	100
Congress	1,000
Gault	500
Grace	300
Granada	150
Great Northern	1,000
Bismarck	50
Del Prado	150
Imperial	50
Le Grand	50
Lucerne	40
Metropole	155
Normandie	100
Worth	100
Hyde Park	100
Kimball's	100
Kubus	40
Lakota	200
Leland	750
Mitchell	100
Oakland	10
Ontario	100
Palmer	2,000
Rainier	75
Revere	500
Richelieu	200
Saratoga	600
Sherman	1,000
St. Charles	300
Tremont	400
Victoria	500
Wellington	400
Windsor	150
Total	15,150

ENGLAND WILL YIELD.

Graceful Backdown Projected in the Venezuelan Matter.

Aside from the leisurely manner in which the Venezuelan commission is arranging to prosecute its work, there are other indications, says a Washington correspondent, that the administration has become convinced that this belief is based entirely upon any specific reports from Ambassador Bayard upon the subject, yet there is reason to believe some assurances of a satisfactory nature have come to the State Department that the matter will be terminated shortly, probably within two months or before a report can reasonably be expected from the Venezuelan commission, and upon lines that will be unobjectionable to our government.

While details of the arrangement are not obtainable, and perhaps have not yet been fixed, it is believed the basis of it will be arbitration as proposed originally by the United States, but with a limitation that will suffice at least to save British pride and appear to maintain British

Sebastopol Was Not Impregnable. For it was taken by assault, but a physique built up a constitution fortified by Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, may bid defiance to the assaults of malarious disease even in localities where it is most prevalent and malignant. Emigrants to the arid-breeding sections of the West should bear this in mind, and start with a supply. The Bitters promptly subdues dyspepsia, rheumatic and kidney complaints, nervousness, constipation and biliousness.

A Gourmand.

Miss Gushall—My lord, during all your American tour which of the belles has proven the most irresistibly alluring?

His Lordship—The aw—dinner-bells, I assure you.—New York World.

High, Low, Jack.

Fine ice means very cold weather, then comes a high old time in skating rinks, and skating ponds, on slides and rides, and we go home tired and overheated. It's the same old story of cooling off, off with wraps and on with all sorts of aches and pains, rheumatic, neuralgic, sciatic, lumbago, including frost-bites, backache, even toothache. They who dance must pay the piper. We cut up Jack and are brought low by our own folly. What of it, the dance will go on, all the same. It is generally known that St. Jacobs Oil will cure all such aches and pains separately or collectively, and the cry is on with the dance.

Not Much.

He—I am so afraid your father will object.

She—Don't worry, Papa hasn't much influence in this family.—New York Weekly.

GOLD AT CRIPPLE CREEK.

And the Best Way to Get There Is Over the Santa Fe Route.

The fabulously rich gold mining district of Cripple Creek, Colo., is attracting hundreds of people. By spring the rush bids fair to be enormous. That there is an abundance of gold there is demonstrated beyond doubt.

To reach Cripple Creek take the Santa Fe Route from Chicago or Kansas City. The only standard gauge line direct to the camp. Through Pullman sleepers and first-class cars. The Santa Fe lands you right in the heart of Cripple Creek. Inquire of nearest ticket agent, or address G. T. Nicholson, G. P. A., A. T. & S. F. R. R., Monmouth Block, Chicago.

They Were Too Late.

The belated wayfarer was standing in the shadow of a building, with both hands pointing heavenward, while he gazed into the muzzle of a revolver. One footpad was holding the revolver where it would do the most good in case of an emergency, and the other was gazing through the victim's pockets. The silence was so oppressive that the belated wayfarer finally felt obliged to speak.

"Think you're smart, don't you?" he said.

"We know our business," returned one of the footpads, gruffly.

"Of course, you do," said the belated wayfarer with something like a sneer.

"You know that this is my pay day, I suppose."

"Sure," replied the footpad. "That's why we laid for you."

"He ain't got but 65 cents, Bill," interrupted the one who had been searching the victim's pockets.

"Wot?" cried the other.

"That's right," said the belated wayfarer, cheerfully.

"But you was paid to-day," insisted the man with the revolver.

"Right again," admitted the belated wayfarer in the same cheerful tone.

"But somebody got in ahead of you, and you thought you were so all-fired smart that I'll be hanged if I'm not glad of it."

"Somebody got your roll?"

"Yep."

"Who?"

"My wife came to the office after it this afternoon. Oh, you've got to get up mighty early to beat her."—Chicago Post.

Wiser than Solomon.

A man was recently tried for stealing a watch from a lady in an omnibus.

The man declared that the watch was his and the woman was mistaken in identifying it as hers. Suddenly the magistrate asked: "Where's the key?"

The prisoner fumbled in his pockets and said he must have left it at home.

The magistrate asked him if he would the watch frequently with the key, and he said: "Yes."

Then a key was procured, watch and key were handed the prisoner, and he was told to wind the watch. He opened the case, but could not find any place to use the key. It was a keyless watch!

He was committed for trial.—London Amusing Journal.

Very Circumspect.

Miss Port—Is Miss Strait Laced circumspect?

Miss Caustic—Circumspect! Why, she won't accompany a young man on the piano without a chaperon.—Salem Gazette.

Nerves

Depend upon the blood for sustenance. Therefore if the blood is impure they are improperly fed and nervous prostration results. To make pure blood, take

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"Maid of Athens" was written by Byron during a visit to the Grecian capital. Its heroine was Theresa Macri, a young woman of great personal beauty. Over thirty years ago "Chambers' Journal" contained an account of a visit to the Maid of Athens by an English traveler, who found her an old woman, utterly destitute of any attraction, and at the time of his visit engaged in washing clothing for some of her numerous grandchildren.

NAPOLEON,

ONCE ASKED FOR AN OPINION,

Gives a Graphic Description of His Ideal Woman. Mothers Please Note.

(SPECIAL TO OUR LADY READERS.)

In response to a question asked by a lady, the great Napoleon replied,—

"My ideal woman is not the beautiful society belle, whose physician tries in vain to keep her in repair, nor the fragile butterfly of fashion, who gilds the tortures of disease with a forced smile.

"No! my ideal is a woman who has accepted her being as a sacred trust, and who obeys the laws of nature for the preservation of her body and soul.

"Do you know, my knee involuntarily bends in homage when I meet the matron who reaches middle age in complete preservation.

"That woman is rendered beautiful by perfect health, and the stalwart children by her side are her reward. That's my ideal woman."

To grow to ideal womanhood the girl-child should be carefully guarded.

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