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For Delegate to Congress,
H. B. FERGUSSON,
Of Albuquerque.

NOMINATED BY THE DEMOCRATS.
NOMINATED BY THE POPULISTS.
ENDORSED BY THE SILVER REPUBLICANS.

THURSDAY EVENING, OCT. 8, 1896.

SPECIMEN ARGUMENTS.

The New York *World* makes a very lame effort to compare the bond syndicate, which made $10,000,000 or more, by the connivance of the national administration, in purchasing the bonds of the government at less than their market value and selling them again at that value—to compare this nefarious transaction with a mythical organization which the *World* designates as the "Silver Mine Syndicate;" and which, it says, made $146,000,000 out of the American people. The language of the *World* is:

> The Silver Mine Syndicate has already forced the government to enact two silver purchase acts, under which the government has purchased, in round numbers, 460,000,000 fine ounces of silver, for which it paid in round numbers $464,000,000; and that silver was worth, as bullion, in 1895, $318,000,000, so that the government has already paid a tribute to the Silver Trust of about $146,000,000, dead loss to the people. * * * * The Silver Trust now seeks an annual profit for itself, at the people's expense, of at least $40,000,000 per annum. It demands an absolute monopoly for itself, of the privilege of making money in the United States.

How more untruths and absurdities could be crowded into the same number of words, would puzzle the late Baron Munchausen himself.

In the first place, there is no "Silver Trust", or "Silver Mine Syndicate". Such is a mere creation of the *World's* writer's imagination. It is a gold-bug boogaboo, made to frighten uninformed people in the east. A trust is a combination of interests to control the price and production of any designated product. It shuts out small dealers, and raises or lowers the price of its commodity at will. Has this ever been done in the case of silver, or is it proposed to do it now? On the contrary, it is demanded that the government fix the price of silver, so that it cannot be raised or lowered, and that the coinage of the silver product be free and unlimited to all. Nothing could be more opposed than this, to the very fundamental idea of a trust; and when the *World* talks about a "Silver Trust", the writer is simply talking through his hat.

Again, the statement that because the silver was purchased at $464,000,000, and in 1895 was worth only $318,000,000, therefore the government paid a tribute to the silver trust of about $146,000,000—this is one of the baldest of bald-headed absurdities, one of the most audacious of falsehoods. The government never bought an ounce of silver for more than its market value, at the time of purchase. That this silver afterwards declined in value, was no fault of those who sold it. It was the fault of the government, in that it demonetized silver and repealed the two silver purchasing laws. But no one, other than a fool or a knave, can contend that those who sold silver to the government, at market value, made the amount of the subsequent decline. Smith sells Jones a horse for $100, the market value of the animal. Afterwards, because of bad treatment by Jones, the horse declines in value till it cannot be sold for more than $50. Will any one short of an idiot say that Smith made that $50 out of Jones? Yet such, precisely, is the *World's* argument. Then, too, it may be said that this argument is fully as good and true as ninety-nine-one-hundreths of the arguments advanced by the enemies of silver. Furthermore, the *World* artfully conceals the fact that if the government would now coin the silver, which as bullion decreased $146,000,000 in value, or would issue silver certificates upon it, every ounce would now be worth its purchase price or more. The dishonesty of the *World's* argument is thus made apparent.

But another utterance of the *World* is equally as untrue. It asserts that the "Silver Mine Syndicate" forced the government to enact the two silver purchasing acts, by which the $146,000,000 were made out of the people. Now, John Sherman was the author of the last of these laws—the man who demonetized silver and depreciated its value. Would he propose a law for the benefit of the "silver trust?" Certainly not. Mr. Sherman himself tells us why he introduced the Sherman purchasing law. It was not in the interest of the "Silver Mine Syndicate." It was not to put money into the pockets of the "silver trust." It was not in any sense for the purpose set forth by the *World*. Mr. Sherman says "it was to prevent the free coinage of silver," and he certainly ought to know. Thus is another of the *World's* statements shown to be groundless.

But the pinnacle of folly and falsehood is reached in the concluding statement of the *World* that the "silver trust" now seeks for itself a profit of $40,000,000 per annum, at the people's expense. There are two classes of people in the United States, those who sell money and those who buy money, and the latter outnumber the former fully 1,000 to 1. The free coinage of silver will increase the quantity of money in the country, and thus reduce its value. But as one arm of the balance cannot go down except as the other comes up, so the value of money cannot be reduced without the corresponding increase in value of everything used for the purchase of money. In this category are included all the products of man's hands and brains. Such will be enhanced in value by the free coinage of silver, just as they have been depreciated by the single gold standard. Now, if the few thousands, constituting the money sellers, are the "people," in the *World's* sense of that term, the free coinage of silver may seem, at the first glance, to be at their expense; by if by the "people" is meant the other hundreds of thousands, who have money to buy, then the declaration is without shadow of truth. However, the desperateness of the cause may well be gauged by the character of the *World's* argument.

MORE MONEY NEEDED.

The enemies of silver attempt to explain the stagnation in every line of business, on the theory of over-production; but there is not a man of sense among the purchasing classes who does not know that the reason he does not buy a new suit of clothes, does not add to the comforts of his home, does not indulge in greater luxuries at his table, does not give his wife and children greater relief from labor—the reason he does not spend more money in every department of trade, is not that there is an over-production of these things, not that his money will buy more than ever before, but that he has no money with which to buy at any price.

What does it signify to a man that steamboats are selling at a dollar apiece, if he has not money enough to buy a single plank? It is the lack of money, on the part of the purchasers, which has closed the factories, and not over-production, as the goldites claim.

Mayor Olney, at the Bryan silver club, recently gave a good illustration of this. A farmer had raised an unusually large crop of potatoes, but he found it impossible to sell a single bushel, after a thorough canvass of the neighboring towns. Every one to whom he applied declared he had all the potatoes he needed. In disgust, the farmer gave out that any who wanted the potatoes could come and get them for nothing. In two days, the entire crop was gone. Seeing many of those who had told him they had potatoes enough, busily engaged in carrying them away, he naturally inquired how it was they now wanted them. They candidly confessed that the reason for not buying was the want of money and not the want of the potatoes. It was lack of funds, and not over-production at all, which had destroyed the farmer's market. Let us have more money, then, and business will revive in every department. The only way to increase the circulation is by the free coinage of silver, which all New Mexicans should vote for.

THE OPTIC has but the one course to pursue in the present campaign and it is pursuing it, without the promise of pay, or the hope of reward. It's a matter of principle, and not principal, with us, this year.

EVERY candidate will be thankful when election day comes. So will the people. Won't the prophets have their hands full explaining it and if and if, etc.? And we are all sons of prophets.

THE only comment on THE OPTIC sale to Mr. Fergusson is that the democratic candidate spent $100 foolishly.—*Albuquerque Citizen.*

The only harm THE OPTIC wishes the *Citizen* is that it will receive the $1,000 yet due from Catron; besides the $500 already paid, and the costs of court, for the publication of that editorial, defamatory of the courts of the land.

THE ticket nominated by the San Miguel county republicans, to-day, promises to be a good one. Let as much be said of the platform on which they stand.

A Stringent Law.

To the Editor of the Optic:

EAST LAS VEGAS, N. M., October 8th, A. D. 1896.—Perhaps it would be well to call the voters' attention to the following law:

"If any person offers, or gives, any money, property or other bribe, to any qualified voter of this Territory to induce him to vote for or against any person or question, or abstain from voting at any of the prescribed elections, such person and the persons receiving said bribe, or inducement, on conviction, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less tahn $50, or be imprisoned for a term not less than six months, and shall be forever disfranchised and disqualified from voting and holding office in New Mexico."

Of course, this doesn't prevent honest politicians from hiring screamers to go into a caucus. VOTER.

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When any part of the body isn't doing the work that nature intended it to do, it puts the whole system out of tune—out of harmony. Sickness in one part of the body is likely to run into all parts of the body. When children stand a row of bricks on end, they knock the whole row down by upsetting one brick. That is exactly what happens to the health when the bowels fail to perform their proper function. Constipation makes trouble all along the line—puts the liver out of order, is bad for the kidneys—bad for the stomach. It holds in the body poisonous matter, and because it cannot go any place else, it gets into the blood. The blood carries it all over the system. That makes sluggishness, lassitude, bad breath and foul taste in the mouth, fills the stomach with gas and causes windy belching, stops digestion in the stomach, causes sour stomach, heartburn and headache. You can avoid all such trouble, for Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets CURE constipation and its attendant evils.

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Springer	70	Topeka	720
Wagon Mound	45	Atchison	770
Watrous	20	Kansas City	786
San Miguel	29	St. Louis	1,063
Glorieta	55	Chicago	1,275
Lamy	65	Washington	2,088
Santa Fe	83	Philadelphia	2,097
Cerrillos	82	New York	2,187
Albuquerque	112	Boston	2,419
Los Lunas	152	Tucson	598
Socorro	209	Chihuahua	612
San Marcial	235	City of Mexico	1,612
Las Cruces	344	Los Angeles	1,033
El Paso	396	San Diego	1,098
Deming	362	San Francisco	1,345
Silver City	411	Guaymas	906
Trinidad	180	Ojo Caliente	0
La Junta	215	Hot Springs	6
Denver	393	Galveston, direct	709

ALTITUDE OF VARIOUS PLACES.

Mora	7043	Silver City	6022
Hot Sp'gs Park	6767	Spark's Ranch	8572
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Watrous	6469	Kansas City	765
Las Vegas	6452	Raton Tunnel	7622
Santa Fe	7013	Glorieta	7482
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12 10 p	3 00 a		Albuquerque	8 15 p	9 00 a	
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4 58 p	8 25 a		Wingate	5 05 p	4 08 a	
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