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Humboggery in Figures.

Brann Roasts Editorial and Oratorical Frauds.

A Comparison of Facts that Shows Their Cupidity in Trying to Deceive the People.

From Brann's Iconoclast.

I am not much of a "free silver fanatic," but I do dislike to see the people imposed upon by a set of editorial and oratorical frauds who brazenly juggle figures. Hundreds of papers, sputters andouters are striving to create the impression that gold makes for high and silver for low wages; yet the biggest fool engaged in this disreputable scull-duggery knows full well—if he knows anything—that he is perpetrating a brazen falsehood. If Cicero wondered that the Roman aristocrats could look into each others' faces without laughing, what would he have thought of goldbug editors and orators who, after laboriously comparing the wages rate of England and the United States with that of China and Japan solemnly advise the American workman that if he doesn't want to toil for a dime a day—"in depreciated currency"—and live on rice and rats, he should give the glad hand to the "cross of gold?" There isn't an editor on earth with sufficient sense to dodge "plate matter" when wielding a pair of shears, who doesn't know that all such talk is veriest humbug. There isn't an orator who employs it but does so for the express purpose of deceiving ignorant people. I here brand every man who indulges in such "argument" as a fool of the first water or a deliberate fraud. Certainly wages are higher in England and the United States than in China and Japan, and right ought to be; for the productive power of the energetic Caucasian, with his improved machinery is tenfold greater than that of the puttering Mongolian with his antediluvian devices. Every man versed in even the primary principles of economics, knows that the unit of value in a country has no more to do with its wage rates than with the number of wiggle-tails in its rain-water. We don't have to go to Ricardo, or Mill, Montesquieu, for this information—it is only necessary to turn to the latest published consular reports, which any man may obtain of his representative in congress, free of cost. If the gold makes for high and the silver standard for low wages; how comes it that gasfitters receive \$14.50 a week in Columbia and \$18 in Venezuela, both silver standard countries, and but \$4.08 in Germany and 3.40 in Italy, both on a gold basis? How comes it that cigar-makers receive \$12.50 and tin-smiths \$14 in silver standard Venezuela, and \$4.80 and \$3 respectively in gold standard Spain? How comes it that distillers receive \$12 per week in Mexico and but \$3.90 in Denmark? How comes it that cabinet-makers receive \$10 in Ecuador and but \$4.25 in Germany, blacksmiths \$12.83 in Venezuela and but \$2.60 in Italy, telegraph operators \$11.50 in Mexico and but 5.30 in Denmark, engravers \$19.75 in Peru and but \$3 in Spain? If the gold standard makes uniformly for high wages, why is there such a tremendous difference in the wage rate of gold standard countries? The average weekly wages of brick-layers in the United States is \$21.18, in Spain \$3.80, in Canada \$18 and in Italy \$4.50, yet all are on a gold basis. Hod-carriers average \$13.38 in the United States and but \$1.70 in Italy; plumbers \$3.38 in Canada and \$3.25 in Spain, \$19 in the United States and \$7.90 in England, \$13.35 in New South Wales and \$4.25 in Germany—all gold standard countries. Coopers get \$1.80 in China and \$10 in Ecuador; masons \$2.18 in Japan and 10.80 in Mexico; butchers \$2.68 in Persia and \$12.30 in Peru; cigar-makers \$1.40 in China and \$12.50 in Venezuela—all silver standard countries. Yet the goldbugs ask the workman to believe that upon the unit of value depends the scale of wages! It is a wonder that when a man makes that kind of a talk to intelligent people he escapes being hooted—or hanged! In pointing out that wages are higher in gold-standard England and America than in silver-standard China and Japan the McKinleyites leak just enough truth to give their assertion the full effect of a dangerous

and damnable lie. Carnegie, Mark Hanna and McKinley are wonderfully interested in the welfare of the workman—in a perfect agony lest he commit industrial hara-kiri! Will they please inform us how the gold standard is going to prevent American wages going to the English level? Will they kindly take a day off and explain how the gold standard by China would raise her wage rate to a parity with that of New South Wales—while that of England, Germany, Denmark, Belgium, France, Italy, Spain and Switzerland remain so far below that of Mexico, Columbia, Peru, Ecuador and Venezuela? And when they have explained this matter to the satisfaction of the public, will they explain why gold standard Spain is decaying, while silver standard Mexico is going forward with giant strides? If silver is the bete noire of industry, why is that Texas begs in vain for capital to develop the potential wealth of her fertile fields, virgin forests and fecund mines, while millions upon millions of eastern and European capital pours across her into Mexico? The people are tired of your infernal sophistry; now talk sense. If a depreciated currency be responsible for China's low wage rate, why didn't it have like effect in America previous to the resumption of specie payments? Why did wheat go to \$2.85 in 1867 and to .49 in 1895? In 1867 I was 10 years old, and received \$2 a day for work in the harvest field; now 10-year old can be employed at like labor for \$2 a week. I am told that I was paid in a "depreciated currency." Cert! I could get only five sticks of candy for five cents; now the \$2-a-week boy can obtain six! What a pity my birth wasn't delayed 30 years so the blessed goldbugs could keep me from being sandbugged by a depreciated currency! While handicapped with "the evils of a depreciated currency" my people raised and sold wheat and corn, cattle and hogs, purchased more land and built comfortable houses and mammoth barns; but under "the manifold blessings of a stable gold standard" they are selling the land because its produce will not yield a profit, and letting the buildings go to wreck because unable to repair them. Then the old gentleman was wont to put \$1,000 bills in the family bible and hide it under the bed; now when the tax-collector come around he must go abrogating. Then the farm, with its billowy wheat fields and golden corn, stretched out over an entire section and resembled a garden of the gods; now it is reduced to a pitiful 80 acres and looks like a desert of desolation. Seventy-five years of grinding toil has ended in "crucifixion upon a cross of gold."

Hoke Smith of Georgia, Secretary of Interior, has resigned. His determination to support the Democratic ticket made his relation to Cleveland and other members of the cabinet so unpleasant as to cause his resignation. Things have come to a pretty pass, politically, when a member of an administration elected by Democrats has to resign because of his expressed determination to support Democratic nominees. Cleveland's evident object in making his Cabinet was to secure pliant and unpatriotic tools. As to the Georgia man Cleveland's judgment seems to have "slipped a cog."

Governor Culberson's administration shows that there has been a reduction in the public expenses of \$664,000 over Hogg's administration; that the fees of office have been reduced \$188,000 annually, that he has paid to school teachers \$650,000 due to them under Hogg's administration; that the public school term will be raised to five and one-half months the coming scholastic year; that he has sued and obtained judgment against the railroad companies for \$1,200,000, which will be added to the school fund.—El Paso Times.

Foster predicts two great storm periods in September for the country between the Mississippi river and the Rocky Mountain.

A fire at Clifton burned all the wooden buildings between the opera house and Stephens' hotel.

FREE COINAGE OF SILVER.

Views of 'One of the Largest Retailers in the World.'

Chicago, Ill., August 14.—Frank H. Cooper of the big firm of Siegel, Cooper & Co., of Chicago and New York, the biggest retail firm in the world, has just returned from Europe. Said Mr. Cooper:

"We can make everything over here that is made abroad, but with Mr. McKinley as president our currency may become even more contracted than it is today, as a single gold standard, if adopted, would work ruin to this country and make times harder than they are.

I can't see anything but good to result from the free coinage of silver. True, it will benefit the mine owners; it will also benefit the miners and benefit the west. It will give the farmers money; it will make better prices for farm products; it will make the farmer a buyer in our markets.

"Times can be no worse than they are at present. Our currency is not expensive enough for the demands of the people. France has \$40 per capita of money in circulation, and its people are prosperous and happy. We have but \$20 per capita. We need more money and free silver coinage will put an end to business stagnation.

"Our factories are closed and our artisans and mechanics are out of work. More money will make higher prices, demand for goods and a revival of prosperity.

"Goods and produce are too cheap, because people have no money to buy them. The depreciation in prices on some lines of goods has been 50 per cent in the past six months. Can merchants and manufacturers stand this? With free silver the price of wheat and corn would enhance in value at once. Dollar wheat for the farmer makes him look at his clothing. When they are faded he buys new. He refurbishes his house if it is needed, and so helps to start the furniture factories going again. It is so in all lines. The more money, the greater the demand for goods.

"A single gold standard would bring prices still lower and more failures and more disasters for the people. We are partially upon a bimetallic basis now and that is in a measure our salvation.

"Contract our currency to \$15 or \$20 per capita and the result would be such as no one could figure. Talking of free silver, our mints could not turn out over \$60,000,000 per year—less that \$1 to every inhabitant. Would that flood the country? It would restore prices, confidence and recuscitate business. That I think, is about what free silver would do for us. We want to take care of ourselves first; European countries are able to care of themselves."

One is A Dose.

A little Texas girl had red hair, and she had to bear a great many taunts from her playmates, and even grown people. She complained to her mother who consoled her by saying:

"Never mind what people say about your hair. God made your hair, and He does all things well."

"Yes, I suppose; but if I were you I'd make other arrangements next time. One red-headed girl is enough in one family."—Sifter.

Johnnie's Mistake.

"Mother," asked Johnnie Cheffie, "what do they always put 'nee' in front of the name a married woman had before she was married?"

"That is done to show what her name was before she was married," replied Mrs. Cheffie.

"So that's it. I thought maybe it was before she married she used to sit on her fellow's knee, and they spelled it 'nee' for short."—Sifter.

Bostonese to the Backbone.

Fireman (at the window)—"You'll have to hurry, Miss. The roof's almost ready to fall in!"

Boston Girl—"In just a minute. There's a volume of Ibsen I can't find, and—"

"A minute? You haven't bait that much time."

"That much is a colloquialism, sir, for which there is no good authority whatever. The word 'that' is never an adverb. You should say 'so much,' or 'thus much,' or 'as much as that,' but not—"

She was dragged out just in time.—Sifter.

All of the eighty-six prisoners in the Federal jail at Fort Smith except four, are for McKinley. A large number of the Canton major's supporters will be hung before the election.—Comanchie Chief.

A rampant middle-of-the-road populist voting for McKinley and a single gold standard is a sight over which the fallen angels might weep.

The state democratic convention endorsed the national ticket and platform in the following words:

"We endorse the principles of the democracy as set forth in the platform in the national convention which convened at Chicago July 7, and pledged to William J. Bryan and Arthur Sewall our united and cordial support for president and vice-president.

We endorse in toto the platform of our national convention, but we specially commend and approve the declaration for an income tax, opposition to the issue of bonds in time of peace, against the power of bank to issue money, for a tariff or revenue that will operate without discrimination against classes of sections and for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, with full legal tender quality and without reference to the actions of other governments."



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Buy a bag of this celebrated tobacco and read the coupon—which gives a list of valuable presents and how to get them.

Did you keep the promise? Have you stood up to the contract? I go back to your first communion. You remember well as if it were yesterday. You saw the light and you were glad and here you are now. You are brighter and more eter-voiced than ever before, and you said down in the very depths of your soul: "Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee." Have you kept the bargain, O Christian man? Have you not sometimes faltered when you ought to have been true? Have you not been proud when you ought to have been humble? Have you not played the coward when you ought to have been the hero? I charge it upon you and I charge it upon myself—we have broken the contract.

Still further: this lawsuit claims damages at your hands. The greatest slander of the Christian religion is an inconsistent professor. The Bible says religion is one thing; we, by our inconsistency, say religion is some other thing, and what is more deplorable about it is that people can see faults in others while they cannot see any in themselves. If you shall at any time find some miserable old gossip, with imperfections from the crown of her head to the sole of her feet, a perfect blotch of sin herself, she will go tattling, tattling, tattling all the years of her life about the inconsistencies of others, having no idea that she is inconsistent herself. God save the world from the gossip, female and male! I think the males are the worst! Now the chariot of Christ's salvation goes on through the world; but it is our inconsistencies, my brethren, that block up the wheels, while all along the line there ought to have been cast nothing but palm branches, and the shout should have been lifted: "Hosanna to the Son of David!"

Now, you have heard the indictment read. Are you ready to plead guilty or not guilty? Perhaps you are not ready yet to plead. Then the trial will go on. The witnesses will be called, and we shall have the matter decided. In the name of God, I now make proclamation: Oyez! Oyez! Oyez! who-soever hath anything to offer in this trial in which God is the plaintiff and the Christian soul the defendant, let him now step forth and give testimony in this solemn trial.

The first witness I call upon the stand in behalf of the prosecution is the World—all critical and observant of Christian character. You know that there are people around you who perpetually banquet on the frailties of God's children. You may know, if you have lived in the country, that a crowd care for nothing so much as carping

at the guilty, say that this Christian man has done wrong. He has been worldly. He has been neglectful. He has done a thousand things he ought not to have done, and left undone a thousand things he ought to have done." That will do, Conscience. You can sit down.

The third witness I call in this case is an angel of God. Bring an shining one, what dost thou here? What hast thou to say against this man on trial? "Oh," says the angel, "I have a messenger to him. I have guarded him. I have watched him. With this wing I have defended him, and oftentimes, when he knew it not, led him into green pastures and beside the still waters. I snatched from him the poisoned chalice. When bad spirits came upon him to destroy him, I fought them back with infinite fierceness, and yet I have to testify today that he has rejected my mission. He has not done as he ought to have done. Though I came from the sky, he drove me back. Though with this wing I defended him, and though with this voice I wooed him, I have to announce his multiplied imperfections. I dare not keep back the testimony, for then I should not dare to appear again amongst the sinless ones before the great white Throne."

There is only one more witness to be called on behalf of the prosecution, and that is the great, the holy, the august, the omnipotent Spirit of God. We bow down before him. Holy Spirit, knowest thou this man? "Oh, yes," says the Holy One, "I know him. I have striven with him ten thousand times, and though sometimes he did seem to repent, he fell back again as often from his first estate. Ten thousand times ten thousand has he grieved me, although the Bible warned him, saying: 'Grieve not the Holy Ghost. Quench not the Spirit.' Yes, he has driven me back. Though I am the Third Person of the Trinity, he has trampled on my mission, and the blood of the Atonement that I brought with which to cleanse his soul, he sometimes despised. I came from the throne of God to convert, and comfort and sanctify, and yet look at that man and see what he is, compared with what, unresisted, I would have made him."

The evidence all being in, severe and stern justice rises on behalf of the prosecution to make his plea. With the Bible open in his hand, he reads the law, stern and inflexible, and the penalty: "The soul that sinneth, it shall die." Then he says: "O, thou Judge and Lawgiver, this is thine own statute, and all the evidence in earth and heaven agrees that the man has sinned against these enactments. Now let the sword leap from its scabbard. Shall a man go through the very flames of Sinai unsinged? Let the law be executed. Let judgment be pronounced. Let him die. I demand that he die!"

O, Christian, does it not look very dark for thee? Who shall plead on thy side in so forlorn a cause? Sometimes a man will be brought into a court of law, and he will have no friends and no money, and the judge will look over the bar and say: "Is there any one who will volunteer to take this man's case and defend him?" And some young man rises up and says: "I will be his counsel," perhaps starting on from that very point to a brilliant career. Now, in this matter of the soul, as you have nothing to pay for coun-

sel, there is, therefore, now no condemnation to them who are in Christ Jesus."

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not, desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

But, my friends, there is coming a day of trial in which not only the saint but the sinner must appear. That day of trial will come very suddenly. The farmer will be at the plow, the merchant will be in the counting-room, the woodman will be ringing his axe on the hickories, the weaver will have his foot on the treadle, the manufacturer will be walking amid the buzz of looms and the clack of flying machinery, the counsel may be at the bar, pleading the law, the minister may be in the pulpit pleading the Gospel, the drunkard may be reeling in his cups, and the blasphemer with the oath caught between his teeth.

Lo! The sun hides. Night comes down at mid-noon. The stars appear at noon today. The earth shudders and throbs. There an earthquake opens and a city sinks as a crocodile would crunch a child. Mountains roll in their sockets and send down their granite cliffs in avalanche of rock. Rivers pause in their chase for the sea, and ocean, uprearing, cries to flying Alps and Himalaya. Beasts bellow and moan and snuff up the darkness. Clouds fly like flocks of swift eagles. Great thunders beat and boom and burst. Stars shoot and fall. The Almighty, rising on his throne, declares that time shall be no longer, and the archangel's trump repeats it till all the living hear, and the continents of dead spring to their feet, crying: "Time shall be no longer!" Oh, on that day will you be ready?

I have shown you how well the Christian will get off in his trial. Will you get off as well in your trial? Will Christ plead on your side or against you? Oh, what will you do in the last great assize, if your conscience is against you, and the world is against you, and the angels of heaven are against you, and the Holy Spirit is against you, and the Lord God Almighty is against you? Better this day secure an Advocate.

Meekness.
Meekness is love at school; love at the Savior's feet. It is Christian lowliness. It is the disciple learning to know himself; learning to fear and distrust and abhor himself. It is the disciple practicing the sweet, but self-emptying lesson of putting on the Lord Jesus Christ. It is the disciple learning the defects of his own character. It is the disciple praying and watching for the mellowing of his temper and the amelioration of his character. It is the living Christian at his Savior's feet, learning of him who is meek and lowly, and finding rest for his soul.—Dr. James Hamilton.

Take Care.
If free your lips
Would keep from slips,
Five things observe with care:
Of whom you speak,
To whom you speak,
And how and when and where.
—Exchange.

Fort Smith, Ark., Aug. 25.—The trouble which has been brewing for three weeks in the Choctaw nation, as a result of the election of Green McCurtain as governor, bids fair, according to the latest reports, to end in warfare. McCurtain's residence, at San Bois, sixty-five miles southwest of Fort Smith, is now guarded by about forty men. The same number of men, members of the Buzzard party, are in the vicinity awaiting reinforcements to make an attack. To kill McCurtain is said to be their object. There were four candidates for governor at the Choctaw election held on the 3d of this month—Green McCurtain, Jefferson Farnham, Judge Dukes and Jacob Jackson. McCurtain strongly advocated allotment of lands and other progressive ideas, while Jackson, representing the Buzzards, bitterly opposed it. McCurtain's majority was 210. The old-time full-bloods and many negroes compose the Buzzard party, and the pending trouble is due to a desire on their part to force the United States to step in and, after settling the difficulty, take charge of affairs. They prefer receiving their share from Uncle Sam rather than from McCurtain, who they regard as an implacable enemy.

I. W. Sample, a resident of San Bois, who came in yesterday, reports that the party now surrounding McCurtain's house was preparing an attack on Simon Johnson at the latter's house last Friday night, but retreated on learning that Johnson had received an alarm and had organized a force in his defense.

Indian Fight in Peru.
Washington, Aug. 25.—The department of state has received word of a sanguinary conflict between a party of explorers in Peru and a band of Peruvian Indians. The report is made by Consul Leon Jastrunski at Callao, Peru, who received the details from the United States consular agent at an interior point. The exploring party was led by an American named Cooper. There were ten in the party, including two Germans, who were the only ones who have thus far reported. The men lost their way in the dense forests, and after great suffering from hunger, were attacked by a band from the Campa tribe of Indians. The consul adds: "They had barely time to prepare for defense when the savages attacked them. The party fought with their rifles as best they could till four of their number fell, when the two Germans sought safety in flight. For some time, as they made their way off in the darkness, they heard the repeated cracks of Mr. Cooper's rifle, and it is their belief that he must finally have been captured by the savages."

A Daring Leap.
Louisville, Ky., Aug. 25.—A Louisville and Nashville switch engine jumped from the roundhouse track at Tenth and Breckinridge streets at noon yesterday, and with wide open throttle, dashed down the main track, on which passenger trains come to the city. A collision with the New Orleans express was narrowly averted. The runaway was caught two miles from the city by an engine which had started in pursuit. Engineer Murphy jumped from one engine to the other while both were running at full speed on parallel tracks.

Trolley Car Wreck.
Frederick City, Md., Aug. 25.—A special persons were more or less injured by the brakes on a trolley car failing to work Sunday evening on a deep mountain incline on the Frederick and Middletown electric road. The car started from the Stoker Heights at 7 o'clock. There were 100 persons on the car, many more than its capacity, when the start was made. The motorman applied the brakes, but they yielded, and the speed of the car increased. Just before reaching a trestle over a deep ravine fifty feet deep the car gave a lurch. The motorman tried to reverse, but the trolley slipped the wire and he was powerless. He called to the passengers to hold on for their lives. The next instant there was a crash as the car bounded from the rails and turned over. The people were piled up on one another and jammed on top of each other in the mass of wreckage. Many persons who had seen the car tearing down the mountain hurried to the scene and the bruised and maimed passengers were removed to their homes.

Damage Suit.
Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 25.—Yesterday, in the United States circuit court, John J. Mills, of New York, through his attorney, Henry Crawford, filed a complaint against the Louisville, New Albany and Chicago railroad, demanding judgment to the amount of \$500,000, alleged to be due because of the non-payment of promissory notes issued by the company to him. E. C. Field, general solicitor of the road, admitted the claims. Judge Woods then granted judgment for \$494,911.95, the exact aggregate of the notice. An execution was served on the local manager, the latter making the return, "Nothing found." Mr. Crawford next presented a petition for a receiver, alleging the insolvency of the road, to which the company assented. The petition was granted, Judge Woods appointing Wm. McDoel, of Chicago, the present general manager of the road, whose bond was placed at \$100,000.

Judge Woods instructed the receiver to take immediate charge and exclusive possession of all property of the company.

Crushed to Death.
Marble Falls, Tex., Aug. 25.—A most horrible accident occurred in the powerhouse of the Ice and Light and Water company. Clinton Claypool, while oiling the machinery, was caught between the belt and shaft, crushing him to death in an instant. He was about 25 years old.

Living and Dying.
"I could die for you," he said.
"And I for you," said she.
And why, forsooth, should they therefore not
Live together happily?
—Detroit Tribune.

Methodism.
The Methodist church has grown until to-day one out of every fourteen persons, one out of every five Christians, and one out of every three Protestant church members is a Methodist.—Rev. W. J. Thompson, Methodist.

some speeches, and several were made. When the convention resumed business E. L. Dunlap presented the report of the committee on credentials. It recommended that representation be based on the vote cast for Cleveland in 1892 by congressional districts.

The report was adopted without discussion.

Chairman Matlock, of the committee on permanent organization, submitted his report.

The report recommended Col. Columbus Upson, of San Antonio, for permanent chairman, J. A. Redd for secretary and Gen. Felix Robertson for sergeant-at-arms and the order of business. It was adopted.

In taking the chair Col. Upson made a short speech, and when he concluded Mr. Matlock said it would be some time before the committee on platform would be ready to report, and it being then nearly 6 o'clock, he moved to adjourn to 8:30 o'clock. The convention then adjourned.

Night session.—When the convention convened the selection of delegates was proceeded with.

Bennett said it was not so long ago that there would have been no such friendly rivalry in a sound money convention. He then eulogized Fly, Clark, Giddings and Crawford and moved that all four be elected by acclamation.

Matlock agreed to this and Hudgins withdrew the name of Hardy. The other four were then elected without a dissenting voice.

The following alternates were then elected: T. H. Franklin of San Antonio, E. S. Connor of Paris, John Peter Smith of Fort Worth and Judge Boyd of McLennan county.

The district delegates were then elected by acclamation.

The selection of a chairman of the state executive committee being in order A. L. Matlock nominated Rufus Hardy. The mention of Judge Hardy's name provoked wild cheering and he was unanimously elected by a rising vote, all the delegates shouting.

The selection of the state executive committee were ratified by acclamation. Electors were chosen and were unanimously adopted.

The convention then adjourned sine die.

A Sensation.
Commerce, Tex., Aug. 26.—Prof. T. H. Bridges, president of Henry college at Campbell in this county, and John Hurley of Sulphur Springs were arrested on a charge of assault to murder W. L. Mayo, president of the East Texas normal college at this place. An examining trial was waived by both parties and bail fixed at \$500 each for their appearance before the district court.

Instantly Killed.
Palestine, Tex., Aug. 26.—In a personal difficulty last night, Tom Butler, formerly superintendent of the Anderson county farm, was shot and instantly killed by ex-Sheriff Zach Day. Four shots were fired, the first two by Butler and the last by Day. Neither of Butler's shots took effect. Both men were very popular and stand high in the community. Day is at present deputy United States marshal, and Butler was in the employ of the county as superintendent of the convicts at work on the county roads. Day was arrested.

Advertisements for various products and services, including 'The P...', 'WILL O...', 'CART...', 'BLA...', 'WOO...', 'EAST...', 'IR...', 'EXP...', 'More Surpa...', 'Agents, I...', 'The W...', 'PACCO I...', 'Agents, I...', 'The P...', 'WILL O...', 'CART...', 'BLA...', 'WOO...', 'EAST...', 'IR...', 'EXP...', 'More Surpa...', 'Agents, I...', 'The W...', 'PACCO I...', 'Agents, I...'.

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T. S. SMITH, of Hill County.

DISTRICTS.
1st. J. C. HUFFINGTON,
2nd. W. M. IMBODEN,
3rd. NED MORRIS,
4th. H. F. O'NEAL,
5th. E. L. AGNEW,
6th. H. POWELL,
7th. D. H. HARDY,
8th. M. M. SCOTT,
9th. T. B. COCHRAN,
10th. S. H. HO-KINS,
11th. A. M. THURMOND,
12th. MILTON MAYES,
13th. S. P. BUFF.

For Congress—13th District,
JOHN H. STEPHENS.
For Representative 104th District,
T. H. C. PEERY.

For County Judge,
O. E. FINLAY.
For County and District Clerk,
CHAS. GAY.

For County Attorney,
JOHN C. KAY.
For County Treasurer,
J. A. DIXON.

For Sheriff,
H. C. WILLIAMS.
For Tax Assessor,
S. H. JAMES.

For County Surveyor,
ELISHA T. HIGGINS.
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1,
A. J. WHEAT.

For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2,
G. W. HUNT.
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3,
H. L. LEBERMAN.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4,
ALLEN C. CASEY.

"Major" Jerome C. Kearby, the populist nominee for governor made a speech in Dallas last week in which he saw fit to heap a whole lot of vilification and abuse upon the head of Judge Reagan. Of course Reagan was not present. Such conduct will not help Kearby in his race for governor. It will please his gold-bug followers but the honest men of the peoples party have great confidence in Judge Reagan—more in fact than they have in Kearby. Texas Farmer, who knows Kearby well, intimates that he was probably a little "in his cups" when he trailed his guns upon the sage of Palestine.

Old People.

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey or other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alterative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding Nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents and \$1.00 per bottle at Akin & Co.'s Drug Store.

2077 Acre Pasture—200 acres in cultivation—for sale or lease.
Apply to **R. C. McPHAILL.**

The palmist who read Mr. Bryan's hand might have saved a great deal of space by simply saying: He holds a boddy tail flush.—Dallas News.

Be Sure You Are Right

And then go ahead. If your blood is impure, your appetite falling, your nerves weak, you may be sure that Hood's Sarsaparilla is what you need. Then take no substitute. Insist upon Hood's and only Hood's. This is the medicine which has the largest sales in the world. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the One True Blood Purifier.

Hood's Pills are prompt, efficient, always reliable, easy to take, easy to operate.

Kearby and Gibbs have been "sounding bouquies" at the gold standard democrats and republicans for some time. The gold bug and republicans will be throwing kisses at Kearby and Gibbs and they will get together, for the hatred of the democratic party by these three elements is exceeded by only one thing, and that is their great desire for office.—Kaufman Times.

Who Has a Small Farm for Sale?
Call on **B. E. MABBY.**

Where are you at?

We ask this question of the honest men in the populist party of Texas. You answer, "in the middle of the road." Yes, and let us for a moment consider what that means to you. It means that you are going to help the republicans elect McKinley and assist in your way to fasten the gold standard upon the people. Will you vote for Bryan and Watson? If you do you are going to divide the free silver vote of Texas between two sets of electors and unless you are able to poll a plurality of the votes of the state you will lose your vote entirely and Bryan and free silver will lose it also. You all recognize the fact that every vote taken from Bryan and Sewall will help McKinley that much. You do not expect the election of Watson by any means and you admit that you are only running him to keep up the party organization. Now this is no time to cavil about party organizations. The country demands a change of financial policy if it busts every party in existence and you admit that Bryan is the man to save the country.

Your leaders have been trying to betray you. They have not made any secret of their effort to combine with the gold bugs and republicans for the purpose of forming the unholy triple alliance whose object is to elect McKinley as president and Kearby for governor of Texas. Your famous orator, Cyclone Davis, is going to stump the state for McKinley. Take a calm and dispassionate view of the matter men and brethren, and see if you don't find very strong evidence leading to the conclusion that your leaders in Texas and some of the other states have sold out to Mark Hanna.

The nomination of Bryan by your party at St. Louis could not be prevented and the enemies of free silver did the next best thing for their cause. They proceeded to have another candidate for vice president put on so as to weaken Bryan as much as possible. The money power, like the old Serpent himself, always strikes in the weakest place and they knew how the people of the south dislike to elect an eastern capitalist to office and so they made the fight on Sewall. The result is that had it not been for the patriotism of the northern and western populists the populist endorsement of Bryan would have done him no good whatever. You will all admit that the country will be ruined if four more years of gold-standardism is foisted upon it and that the election of Bryan is the only hope of the people. Now let us be consistent and do not let our prejudice against one man cause us to either directly or indirectly assist in the election of McKinley.

How It is Done.

Mr. J. E. Wallis, of the firm of Wallis, Louder and Co., of Galveston, a prominent gold standard man, upon his return from the north tells the following to the Galveston Tribune:

"While at Saratoga, I came in contact with a large manufacturer who employs several hundred men. This manufacturer became advised that his employees intended to vote for Bryan and free silver. He at once sounded them on the subject, and explained to them that in the event of Bryan's election he would have to close his mill and discharge his employees. He told them that he had a large amount of money out in open accounts and notes, and that in the event of Bryan's election and the adoption of free silver legislation, he would receive only 53 cent dollars in payment of the amounts due him. This being the case he could not afford to go on piling up goods, for the manufacture of which he paid wages on a gold basis.

This had an appreciable effect upon the manufacturer's employees, and set them to thinking. The result is obvious. The silver feeling is waning.

Why yes. Certainly. Of course. The prospect of starvation "set them to thinking" and the result is "obvious" of course. Men, women and children must live and men must work. This kind of intimidation is going on all over the

north and east and will continue until the election is over. The probabilities are that this self-same self-righteous scoundrel, who deliberately threatens starvation to his hundreds of employes, raises his hands in holy horror when he hears of a white eyed nigger being voted by a white man in the south.

Those employes ought to give him a public whipping for thus taking advantage of their poverty and buying their right to vote with a job.

This Galveston galoot evidently thinks the manufacturer did just the proper thing and tells the tale that others may benefit by the example. His moral sensibilities are so blunted that he thinks anything is right that will cause the silver "feeling" to "wane." There is a thorough understanding between Hanna and the manufacturers that the thousands of employes in the factories will be "worked" in the same way and the leading railway systems are to perform the same dirty work. If these monopolies can "deliver the goods" McKinley stands a good chance of election. Mammon is making a desperate effort. The panic-breeders have already begun their deadly work. Loans are called in and the safety vaults are being filled to be hoarded full after the election while a venal press and the hungry hordes of stump speakers tell the people that "the free silver agitation" has caused hard times. How long a suffering public will permit such things we cannot tell, but there is a limit somewhere. When it is reached there will be a tempest—an avalanche—an inundation. They are sowing to the wind. They will reap the whirlwind.

If McKinley is elected by such methods, however; if we as a people permit rampant brutality and cowardly intimidation to succeed in this election then we deserve no better fate than the industrial slavery that is sure to follow. The people of the south and west must do the work; the east cannot throw off the yoke; the prospect of starvation will continue to have an "appreciable effect" upon men in the elections; we must sever the shackles that bind our eastern brethren to the car of Juggernaut and by just and proper legislation make it impossible for one man to vote his hundreds of employes against their honest convictions. If we don't our government is worse than monarchy, yes, worse than rehandled anarchy.

Bicycle Given Away.

Any live boy or girl can get a \$40 bicycle by canvassing a few days for Texas Sandwich. For particulars address Sandwich Pub'g Co., 145 1/2 S. Ervay street, Dallas, Texas.

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors she had Consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers, 169 Florida St., San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching Consumption, tried without result everything else then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which there are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. Free trial bottles at Akin & Co.'s Drug Store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

wasting

Children should be happy and plump. A child of seven should not be thin and pale, with the aged look of twenty. No aches; no whines; no house-plant. Running, jumping, laughing. Children should grow in weight and strength; eat heartily and show plump cheeks.

Scott's Emulsion of Cod-liver Oil with Hypophosphites fills out the sunken cheeks and gives color to the lips. It furnishes material for the growth of bone, and food for the brain and nerves. It lays a strong foundation for future growth and development.

SCOTT'S EMULSION has been endorsed by the medical profession for twenty years. Ask your Druggist. This is because it is always palatable—always uniform—always contains the purest Cod-liver Oil and Hypophosphites. Put up in one and two ounce sizes. The small size may be enough to cure your cough or help your baby.

Cripple

The iron grasp of scrofula has no mercy upon its victims. This demon of the blood is often not satisfied with causing dreadful sores, but racks the body with the pains of rheumatism until Hood's Sarsaparilla cures.

Made Well

Running sores broke out on my thighs. Pieces of bone came out and an operation was contemplated. I had rheumatism in my legs, drawn up out of shape. I lost appetite, could not sleep, I was a perfect wreck. I continued to grow worse and finally gave up the doctor's treatment to

Hood's Sarsaparilla

take Hood's Sarsaparilla. Soon appetite came back; the sores commenced to heal. My limbs straightened out and I threw away my crutches. I am now stout and hearty and am farming, whereas four years ago I was a cripple. I gladly recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla. URBAN HAMMOND, Table Grove, Illinois.

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SAVED THE BABY.

Mr. J. T. McAllister, of Atlanta, Ga., says: "Last summer Germetor saved our baby, Paul, carried him safely through an extremely bad case of dysentery and teething, and from a mere skeleton of skin and bones, it has made him a great big solid chunk of thirty or thirty-five pounds."

FAT AS A PIG. J. J. Scruggs, of Sildon, Miss., says: "Our little girl 6 months old, was in a very low state from summer complaint and Germetor made her as fat as a pig."

Jerome C. Kearby, the populist candidate for governor, made a speech last Saturday night at his ratification meeting in Dallas. One of the speakers mentioned Bryan's name and it nearly gave Kearby a fit. He threatened to go home and leave the meeting. He is awfully afraid that Dr. John Grant and the McKinley cohorts will be offended at the mention of Bryan's name and decline to support the populist-republican combine headed by Kearby.—Kaufman Times.

It May Do As Much For You.

Mr. Fred Miller, of Irving, Ill., writes that he had a severe kidney trouble for many years, with severe pains in his back and also that his bladder was affected. He tried many so-called kidney cures but without any good result. About a year ago he began the use of Electric Bitters and found relief at once. Electric Bitters is especially adapted to cure all kidney and liver troubles and often gives almost instant relief. One trial will prove our statements. Price 50c. and \$1.00. At D. R. Akin & Co.'s Drug Store.

Don't Stop Tobacco.

How to Cure Yourself

While Using It. The tobacco habit grows on a man until his nervous system is seriously affected, impairing health, comfort and happiness. To quit suddenly is too severe a shock to the system, as tobacco to an inveterate user becomes a stimulant that his system continually craves. "Baco-Curo" is a scientific cure for the tobacco habit, in all its forms, carefully compounded after the formula of an eminent Berlin physician who has used it in his private practice since 1872, without a failure. It is purely vegetable and guaranteed perfectly harmless. You can use all the tobacco you want while taking "Baco-Curo." It will not only cure you, but we give a written guarantee to cure permanently any case with three boxes, or refund the money with 10 per cent. interest. "Baco-Curo" is not a substitute, but a scientific cure, that cures without the aid of will power and with no inconvenience. It leaves the system as pure and free from nicotine as the day you took your first chew or smoke.

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Sold by all druggists at \$1.00 per box; three boxes, (thirty days' treatment), \$2.50 with iron-clad, written guarantee, or sent direct upon receipt of price. Write for booklet and proofs. Eureka Chemical & Mfg. Co., La. Crosse, Wis., and Boston Mass.

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Announcements.

For District Attorney, 20th Judicial District, JAMES F. CARTEL, J. N. GRISHAM, S. H. HODGES.

Independent Ticket. For Tax Assessor, BENJ. MOSELEY, Sr.

LITTLE LOCAL LEADERS.

Judge R. F. Arnold made a business trip to Fort Worth last week, returning on Saturday.

W. P. Lindsey, an old resident of this county, was in Graham last Saturday. He now lives in Stephens county.

Geo. W. Ellis has leased the Bell House and is moving in. P. L. Best has moved back to the Hammond farm.

Marriage licenses were issued this week to Mr. C. H. Lebetter and Miss Mollie E. Pickett, and to Mr. J. C. Hazelwood and Miss Louisa Pankasin.

Ladies waists, vests, silk mitts etc., at actual cost. See them. J. E. MORRISON & CO.

Messrs. Johnson, Arnold and J. N. Grisham have gone to Archer this week to attend the district court which convened there Monday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Rickman, on last Saturday night, a fine girl baby. Colburn's is now the happiest man in the east side of town.

Messrs. M. L. Woody and B. R. Wagner went to Spring Creek this week to conduct a revival meeting.

A strong effort is being made to get Gov. Culberson to consent to make a speech at Graham during the campaign. We would like to hear a joint discussion here between him and Kearby.

We understand that Mr. H. L. Penty, the populist nominee for congress will speak here on the 10th and that local democratic authorities will endeavor to have "the change for him" (in the person of Jno. H. Stephens) present.

Capt. A. T. Gay, Jno. B. Crain, W. M. Matthews, Jno. C. Kay and others went to Jackboro last Saturday to hear Gov. Culberson speak. They report a good two hours speech from the Governor and say they think it will do a world of good. A large crowd attended and they had a barbecue at the Jackboro fair grounds.

When at Mineral Wells stop at the Mineral Wells Wagon Yard.

Major F. W. Girard and family and his son, John B. Girard and family are on the move to Abilene this week. The Major goes out to take charge of the Abilene Clerk's office of the new Federal court there and also to act as Commissioner for the Abilene division of the district. All of the court records, dockets, etc. of this court go to Abilene and hereafter all business in the federal courts from this county will be returnable to Fort Worth. We are sorry to lose the Major and his boys from our midst but we hope to change will prove a pleasant one for them.

When in Mineral Wells buy your Groceries from Cogdell Bros.

Lt. P. A. Martin is in receipt of a letter from a brother who lives in Idaho in which his brother uses the following language: "In regard to politics, this section (once strongly republican, is now practically solid for Bryan. I have not seen a single McKinley man so far, though there are probably a thousand or so of them in the state." The McKinley men don't go in herds and bunches in any part of the great west.

Fine Parasols.

A collection of Silk Parasols, including every novelty of the season to close, at prices heretofore unheard of. J. E. MORRISON & CO.

W. P. Stinson and Esq. Wm. Reeves, of Dallasville, were in Graham on business last Monday.

B. Medlan and wife were in town shopping expedition on Monday.

V. Casey, of Farmer, was in our city Monday on business.

W. H. Smith has rented a house in the town and will soon move here for his own town.

W. H. Smith knows the misery of dysentery and knows that Hood's Sarsaparilla cures the worst cases of this disease.

W. H. Smith is in the midst of another campaign.

W. H. Smith started Tuesday for about 200 head of hogs.

W. H. Smith is known as the walking pulpit. He preached to a full church last Tuesday. Best of his travels mostly on 5 pack trails, though he rides such paths. He has only been two years and he departs...

Practical Results.

In the midst of these hard times and general stagnation entailing much enforced idleness and unrest, it is gratifying to note the general improvement wrought within the present year in the moral development of our town and county. The most casual observer cannot fail to have noticed during the past six months a great change for the better among our people. Although in the midst of a hot political campaign, in which our people are taking a most intelligent and lively interest, there has been no brawling and fighting, no affrays or disturbances growing out of overzealous advocacy of men or measures. A recent grand jury after a most painstaking investigation, returned only two bills of indictment—a thing unprecedented in the judicial history of the county—and these two were for petty misdemeanors.

There have been no arrests made on our streets for drunkenness or disturbing the peace during the time, and there has practically been no business of a criminal character filed in any of the courts. People in a position to know tell us that there has been an increasing tendency to observe the Sabbath, and in the various protracted meetings of this summer a new zeal and impetus has been implanted in the churches. Peace and good will reign supreme among our people.

There may be many reasons for the existence of this state of affairs in our social organization; perhaps many beneficent influences have combined to bring it about; but we believe the most obvious reason is the sobriety of the people and the enforcement of the prohibitory law adopted last spring.

Whiskey cannot be bought in Young county except on prescription and there is only one drug store that keeps it for medical purposes. The manager of this drug store informs us that only about fifteen gallons has been sold on prescription during the time, or an average of about three gallons per month.

If the law has been violated it was done in so guarded a manner as to escape the most careful investigation of officers and the grand jury. Of course it is to be presumed that there has been some whiskey bought elsewhere and shipped here for private use of the purchaser, but if anything of this kind has been done it was by men who did not drink to excess and make their inebriety public. In the meantime there is no doubt that hundreds of dollars have been saved by the people for the support of families and payment of obligations that would have been spent for liquor had the county gone wet instead of dry.

Our people have acted with great wisdom and moderation on this subject. Although the majority was small it will have been respected most sacredly by the minority. In most counties the law is only partially enforced by numerous prosecutions, and after great efforts to defeat the popular will, bit, as Judge Miller said in charging the grand jury in August, "this county is a pleasing exception." The law is obeyed without prosecutions and obeyed cheerfully.

This great forward step in morality marks the beginning of a new era in our history as a people and opens a bright page.

On or before Nov. 1st, the people of Graham and Young will witness the largest school in Graham ever here or within fifty miles of here. Do not forget to note this. School opens Sept. 7th. Several students from a distance will enter the first day. No one need run in out of school because he has no money. Enter school next week.

Indian Mound Matters.

News scarce. The drought has been broken at last with fine rains which has revived things wonderfully and given us plenty of stock water.

There has been within the last few days, about eighteen thousand acres of land leased by local cattle men in our community.

The Indian Mound school has been awarded to J. M. Hughes for the ensuing year. School will begin on 14th inst. and continue nine months.

Mrs. W. W. Hunter was very sick last week but is better now.

Mrs. G. W. McCommas is suffering with a severe fever.

Everybody here has planted sorghum, millet, and turnips since the rain. X Y Z.

If you want a free scholarship call on THE LEADER. For the greatest number of cash subscribers to THE LEADER a scholarship in the Graham High school will be given to the successful competitor. The competitor must live outside the Graham school district. The scholarship is valued at \$18.50 to \$31.50. Ten subscriptions to THE LEADER might win the prize. Try it.

The ladies of the Methodist church will serve lunch in the court house park at twelve o'clock, Thursday Sept. 10th. All are invited. Come and help in a good cause.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair.
DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER
MOST PERFECT MADE.
A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.
40 Years the Standard.

Educational Matters.

The public schools of the county have nearly all employed teachers for the current year. A LEADER reporter interviewed Judge Timmons on the subject of the public schools the other day and elicited a good deal of valuable information in regard to the public schools.

The number of scholastic pupils in the county is 1649, 227 of which are in the Graham corporation. The total number of school districts and school houses outside of Graham is 43; value of school houses \$10,500 value of furniture and apparatus \$3144. Twenty seven of the forty three districts have voted the special tax. The Graham independent district owns property to the aggregate value of \$15,000, making a total value of school property in the county of nearly \$30,000. There have been 43 pupils transferred from rural districts to the Graham school this year.

The Graham school will be taught by Prof. Johnson and Fowler with an able corps of assistants all of whom are understood not yet selected. The following teachers in outlying districts have made contracts:

- Farmer, Joe Aynsworth.
- Olney, Prof. B. Lindsay.
- Bellman, Prof. Moreland Sr.
- South Bend, Prof. Grap.
- Tonk Valley, J. E. Simpson.
- Mount Pleasant, T. K. Timmons.
- Foat Creek, D. H. Cresser.
- Indian Mound, J. M. Hughes.
- Red Top, Robert Johnston.
- Brushy Flat, J. W. Collier.
- Hawkins Chapel, C. W. Rasure.
- Shearers, Dist. No. 41, Prof. Horschler.
- Ming Bend, Geo. McLaren.
- Midway, Prof. Moreland Jr.
- Victory, J. A. Fairley.
- Center Ridge, Miss Cornelia Jewell.
- Oakland, Miss Mary Fields.
- Connor Creek, Miss Mary Willis.
- Henry's Chapel, Miss Maggie Clayton.
- Anadarko, Miss Georgia Jewell.
- Goose Neck, Miss Lillian Earnest.
- Mountain Home, Mrs. Maggie Wyatt.
- Upper Tonk, Miss Lizzie LeGrande.
- Komo, Miss Martha Elkins.
- Gage's Creek, Miss Emma Elkins.
- Bitter Creek, Miss Eunice Elks.

Several other schools have not reported contracts so far but will all be soon supplied. The cause of education is progressing very rapidly in Young county. Judge Timmons has reason to be proud of his record as county superintendent and when he goes out of office this fall, he will leave the public schools in better condition than ever before in the history of the county.

J. N. Johnston, H. Fowler, Mrs. Johnston and Miss Mollie McJilton will teach during the private term. Let every one who can attend. If you feel unable to pay money for tuition call on Supt. J. N. Johnston and he will arrange for you to educate your children. Let no one forget this. Six teachers will be engaged in the free school and one for music. Let all attend.

Mrs. Youds will re-open her school on Monday, Sept. 7th. Children from six to fourteen years of age will be received as pupils. Great attention paid to the little ones. Patronage respectfully solicited.

Services at the Christian Church Sunday. Subject for morning hours, "Individual Effort"; subject for evening hours some "strange things." All are invited.

BITTER TASTE.

It Aids in the Detection of Unwholesome Food.

Daniel Webster in the famous White trial in Salem, Mass., years ago declared that "murder will out." This maxim has been found applicable to many other things besides murder. Housewives know it to be true when there is alum in baking powder. A bitterness in the bread at once betrays the alum's presence. I can't conceal its true nature. The alum bitterness "will out," and because it will, physicians, who understand the harmful effect of alum on the system, are at a loss to know why people continue to buy baking powders containing it. All baking powders sold for twenty-five cents a pound and less contain alum. There is surely no economy in using these cheap powders. For a pure cream of tartar powder, as Dr. Price's was shown to be at the World's Fair, goes so much farther and gives so much better results, there is no doubt of its being more economical in the long run.

Prof. S. W. Parsons, President of Parsons College of Vail Station, called on THE LEADER last Monday. He reports a flourishing school and says he is offering better advantages, higher inducements and lower terms than ever before.

Rev. W. M. Goode will hold religious services at Brier Branch School House on the 2nd Sunday in this month and at Goose Neck on the 4th Sunday.

A good many populists in Young county think more of principle than they do of party organization and are going to vote for Bryan and Sewall because they know that is the only way to help the free silver cause. We honor such men.

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