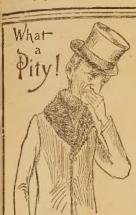
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IMMORAL FINANCE.

AN ENGLISHMAN ON THE EN-GLISH MONEY QUESTION.

The Single Gold Standard Is a Money Lender's Trick and Even in a Greditor Nation It Benefits Only the Money

Robert Barclay of London, author of The Silver Question and the Gold Question," and other works, writes as follows to the Mississippi Valley Dem-

It has been claimed that because Great Britain is a "creditor country" it pays her to receive interest on in-vestments in depreciated goods—for this is precisely what the single standard means, and was intended to accomplish. The immoral selfishness of this argument is so apparent that I wonder it should ever have been broached. For those who can see, it s as stupid as it is immoral; as dis-astrous in the long run as it is dishonest in principle. To avail yourself of previously unforeseen contingencies to get more than twice as much out to get more than twice as much out of a bargain as either you or the other party ever intended, is to invite a repudiation of the bargain by the victim of the unforeseen accident. The situation is not as if you had bought shares, for example, that go up in value; that is your luck. But a revolution in the standard of value puts a new complexion on every bargain, outside its own merits; as such. That is where the shame of clinging to the

where the shame of clinging to the original bargain comes in. If A, who is a money lander, and has influence with the government, iend B, a farmer, £200 to be repaid in wheat, and the price of wheat at the time is of wheat in addition to the interest, his debt shall be discharged. If mean-while the price of wheat should vary from natural causes, such as increased or lessened demand, greater or smaller production, etc., there would be no immorality in either party taking advan-tage of the situation, because it would be the result of natural causes in which the opportunities of the two parties would be equal. But if, on the other hand, A should exert his influence with the government to have the standard of valuation so changed by artificial processes as to require B to deliver 1,600 bushels in payment of his debt, the transaction model in mooral and dishonest. This supposable case represents precisely what has been done in all gold-standard countries by

the demonetization of silver. The bushel measure has been doubled in size, with no corresponding benefit to the farmer. It is a money lender's trick, and ought to be regarded with trick, and ought to be regarded with horror by all honest people.

But even in a "creditor country" like Great Britain this system of legalized robbery benefits no one except the money lender. Let any one ride through the county of Suffolk, or any of our rich agricultural sections, and he will quickly realize the depressing effects of the shyle standard. He will effects of the single standard. He will see farmhouses and cottages derelict

see farmhouses and cottages derelict, and fertile land gone absolutely to waste. It could hardly be worse if the people were banished from these districts and the land thrown out of cultivation. And yet the population of our island is constantly increasing, and, under natural conditions, the producers of food ought to, and would, receive proportionately higher prices. Woessity remember the halcyon days when the whole of Lincolnshire was almost like a garden; when the greatalmost like a garden; when the greater part of the county was cultivated, the farmers were flourishing, the landalmost like a garden; when the greater part of the county was cultivated, the farmers were flourishing, the landlords lived in their own homes, and every laborer was employed and receiving good wages. That happy state the corporation laws. The amount received from the corporation tax was exployed and receiving good wages. That happy state ceiving good wages. That happy state of things continued without intermis-sion until the effects of the general demonetization of one-half of the world's basic money in 1873 began to be felt; then the decline of prices set in, and it has continued to increase in disastrous results ever since. For twenty-five years other nations have twenty-nwe years other nations have been struggling to reach a gold stand-ard with a gold currency, and the end has not been attained. The results have been equally as disastrous to hem as with us-possibly more so, be cause our position as a "creditor nation" has been somewhat to our advantage by making money more pleu-tiful among those who were already well supplied.

The depression of English agriculwal interests has seriously affected ther enterprises. Our great cotton manufacturing interest has been, in recent years, and is still, non-progres-sive, and in other directions prosperity lags behind. It is wrong to suppose that British interests have dittle or no-concern in the battle of the standards. It is vain to imagine that because we ve in the United Kingdom's settled metary system we can escape the asequences of the troubles in which

from the consequences of which our own people are, in one way or another, seriously suffering?

M'KINLEY'S COMING DOWN.

The president, who swore he never would consent, has at least consented to something less than an increase of the standing army to 100,000 men. He has, in fact, consented to something not very different from the Cockrell bill, which was tendered to him some time ago as a sort of Democratic ulti-matum. The bill agreed upon provides matum. The bill agreed upon provides that the regular army may be kept up to the maximum of 62,000 men now authorized by law until July 1, 1901, or for about two years and four months from the present time. It also authorizes the president to raise 35,000 men for valunteer service if peressay. men for volunteer service if necessary to serve for the same length of time if not sooner discharged. These additional troops may be raised either at home or in the subject provinces in the discretion of the president, but they are to serve only in the provinces. Unless otherwise ordered by congress in the meantime, the army will be reduced to 27,000 men July 1, 1901.

When Mr. McKinley returned Washington after communing with the Home Market Club in Boston he was very stiff on the army question. He told a body of Republican leaders of the two houses who called to see him on the subject that he deemed it their duty to hold out for a standing army of 100,000, and that he would much rather call the new congress together in extra session than accept anything

What has happened to bring about so great a change of mind, amounting dmost to a complete surrender to the Democrats? It is explained that party leaders have been laboring with him and have succeeded in convincing him that it would be dangerous to convene the new congress in extra session.

They have convinced him that it would pe dangerous because the new congress would make haste to vote away many aillions of money for shipping bounmillions or money for supping counties, canal digging and other purposes and make it evident to the country that, so far from reducing the war axes, it would be necessary to increase them or else issue more bonds to get the money needed for the exe-cution of the various numbers on the imperial program.

The shrewd republican politicians are alarmed at the prospect. They think if wild be disastrous to the party to have it discovered by the people before the next presidential elec tion that the new departure is going to fasten more than the so-called war taxes upon them as a permanent bur-den. Accordingly we are told by the correspondent of an imperialistic paper that "permanent reorganization of the army will be provided for by the next congress, but it is quite possi-ble that it will be deferred until the second session, so that it will not be come a campaign issue.

A list of the larger trusts incorporated in New Jersey—thirty-two in number—represent in capital stock an aggregate sum of \$1,208,866,300, or nearly a billion and a quarter dollars. This is an average of about \$40,000,000 per trust. In 1898 there were incorporated in New Jersey, 1,103 companies, with a total capitalization of \$810,840,000 nearly a billion dollars. There are about 10,000 chartered companies doing business under New Jersey charters More than a billion dollars of trus stocks represent not one dollar of in lected from 5.022 companies and added to the fees for the filing of certificates, \$1,162,169, making a revenue from this source of \$2,359,198. Wherefore there is no need of a direct tax upon the people of the state for the expenses of

Afraid of Miles. President McKinley took good care

that General Miles was not afforded an opportunity to render his country distinguished services in the late war in tinguisaed services in the late way in his capacity as a great military lead-er. The American people have a great penchant for conferring civic honors on military heroes. The examples of Washington, Jackson and Grant were sufficient to warn President McKinley of the danger of affording General MHes such an opportunity. So the handsome, intropid general was snubbed, and the awkward, bungling, pose Shafter was sent to the fr when Shafter wanted to throw no the fight at Santiago, Miles steppe in and prevented it, and thereby say d offi army from being destroyed and gave us a victory. Again, Miles took Parto Rico without a struggle and without loss of life, after which he

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out of date when shirt wast weather comes in. This is a point in favor of the economical women. The exof the economical women. The ex-ifravagant one will lay in a supply of white cambric and lawn waists, with tucked sleeves and fronts, and perhaps little tucked caps on the shoulder and cuffs falling over the hand. She will have one with little revers to turn back, showing a finely tucked shirt bosom. Her gingham waists will show the new yoke cut in three pieces, the middle one longer than the other two. The stiffly starched cellar will be

middle one longer than the other two.

The stiffly starched collar will be the exception rather than the rule. Its place has been taken by the pique stock, which can be treated in any number of pretty ways. The four-inhand, though, will not be among them. Big bows and long ends will be the ruling fancy. Wide spotted ribtons, lengths of soft silk and white lawn are fitting materials for the new ties. lengths of soft silk and white lawn are fitting materials for the new tles. A long strip of white barred cambric four inches wide, made with a stock, and one end slipping through a band and tied in front in a short butterfly bow, with two long ends, is a favorite fashion. For the few women who cling to the starched collar there is 5 pretty style in oriental silk, narrowly folded about the collar and flaring broadly to form a butterfly bow, with pointed ends, dropping nearly to the belt.—Philadalphia Tiyles.

Hawa, Vs Social Life.

I do not know that anywhere there is a civilized community whose social the ismoore natural and unconvention. There is no aristocracy nor any hundred." There is no social color lime and no definite social lines of any nat ure. There may be said to be loosely defined social sets, but there are no lines between them; they merge into each other. Education, refinement each other. Education remnement, polish—these have more to do with so-cial position than any other circumstance. Wealth has its weight, but has hardly come to be regarded as a secial circumstance, although it is a strong ally where the more important applications axis. Family, is an imqualifications exist. Family is an im-

qualifications exist. Family is an important consideration.
There is no color prejudice affecting the Hawaiian, the Chinese, or the Japanese; or it there is, it is discoverable only in marital considerations. None of these races, if otherwise socially acceptable, are barred by color. The Hawaiians, and part Hawaiians in particular, are specially in demand soparticular, are specially in demand so-

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