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### Sewall is Sincere for Silver.

Some persons pretend to doubt Mr. Sewall's sincerity for silver, and denounce him as a plutocrat and monopolist, whereas he is more sincerely for silver and deserves more credit for being a silverite than many of his traducers, says the Pittsboro Record. His business as was his father's and grandfather's before him, was that of building ships, and, while he has invested some of his earnings from that business in the stock of a bank and some other corporations, yet that does not render him any the less a sincere silver advocate. It might just as well be charged that Maj. Guthrie is not a silver man because he is a corporation lawyer and owns stock in corporations!

A man situated as Mr. Sewall, living in a State where the silver men in a minority, deserves much more credit for advocating free silver than a man who lives in a State where the great majority are for silver and he merely goes with the crowd.

Mr. Sewall was formally notified of his nomination last week, at New York, at the same time Mr. Bryan was notified, and he made a short but excellent speech of acceptance which we commend to the careful consideration of all who doubt his sincerity: It is as follows:

"Our party, and we believe, a great majority of the American people are convinced that the legislation of 1873, demonetizing silver, was a wrong inflicted upon our country which should and must be righted. We believe that the single gold standard has so narrowed the base of our monetary structure that it is unstable and unsafe, and so dwarfed it in its development and in its power to furnish the necessary financial blood to the nation, that commercial and industrial paralysis has followed.

We believe that we need, and must have the broad and expanding foundation of both gold and silver to support a monetary system strong and stable, capable of meeting the demands of a growing country and an industrious, energetic and enterprising people, a system that will not be weakened and panic stricken by every foreign draft upon us, a system that will maintain a parity of just values and the nation's money, and protect us from the frequent fluctuations of to-day, so disastrous to every business and industry of the country.

We demand the free coinage of silver, the opening of our mints to both money metals without discrimination, the return to the money of our fathers, the money of our Constitution—gold and silver. We believe this is the remedy and the only remedy for the evil from which we are now suffering. The evil that is now so fast devastating and impoverishing our land and people, bringing poverty to our homes and bankruptcy to our business, which if allowed to continue will grow until our very institutions are threatened.

The demonetization of silver has thrown the whole money function on gold, appreciating its value and purchasing power. Restore the money function to silver and silver will appreciate and its purchasing power increase. Take from gold its monopoly, its value will be reduced, and in due course the parity of the two metals will again obtain under natural causes.

We shall then have a broad and unlimited foundation for a monetary system, commensurate with our country's needs and future development, but the unsafe basis of to-day reduced by half by the removal of silver and continually undermined by foreigners carrying from us our gold.

This is the reform to which we are pledged, the reform the people demand, the return to the monetary system of over eighty years of our national existence. The Democratic party has already given its approval and its pledge. Our opponents admit the wisdom of the principle for which we contend, but ask us to await permission and cooperation of other nations. Our people will not wait. They will not ask permission of

any nation on earth to relieve themselves of the cause of their distress. The issue has been made. The people stand ready to render their verdict next November.

Mr. Chairman, unequivocally and through sincere conviction, I indorse the platform on which I have been nominated. I believe we are right, the people are with us, and what the people declare in is always right and must prevail. I accept the nomination, and with the people's confirmation, every effort of which God shall render me capable will be exerted in support of the principles involved."

### The Philosophy of Strikes.

Among the various evils which the Republican policy of finance has engendered in this country may be included the labor strikes which have occurred with such deplorable frequency within the last few years. When money is plentiful and times prosperous, no one ever hears a murmur of complaint from labor. It is only when depression settles upon the money market and the producers of the land are unable to realize anything like a satisfactory price for the articles which they produce that labor becomes restless and dissatisfied.

Strikes were never heard of until the single gold standard was foisted upon the country. Then began the long period of discontent which has continued down to the present time. Taking the figures contained in the official records, the amount of money which the laboring men of this country have lost since 1881 aggregates nearly \$200,000,000, while, during the same time, employers have afforded to the extent of \$95,000,000.

The unhappy condition of things which these figures set forth is directly traceable to the single gold standard. As the volume of the nation's currency has been restricted prices have necessarily been reduced and with the decline in prices there has been a consequent, if not simultaneous, decline in wages. In order to restore good times and prevent the possibility of strikes, it is necessary that silver should be placed on a parity with gold. Until this is done, strikes will abound the specters of want and suffering will continue to stalk abroad through the land.

From a recent issue of the Labor Journal the following significant paragraph is clipped, showing the demoralization which prevails in labor circles at the present time:

In Boston 10,000 laborers are out of work. In Worcester 7,000 are unemployed; in New Haven, 7,000; in Providence, 9,000; in New York city, 100,000; Utica is a small city, but the unemployed number 16,000; in Patterson N. J., one half of the people are idle; in Philadelphia, 15,000; 10,000 in Baltimore; 3,000 in Wheeling; 6,000 in Cincinnati; 8,000 in Cleveland; 4,000 in Columbus; 5,000 in Indianapolis; 2,500 in Terre Haute; 200,000 in Chicago; 25,000 in Detroit; 20,000 in Milwaukee; 6,000 in Minneapolis; Vicksburg, 1,000; St. Louis, 80,000; St. Joseph, 2,000; Omaha, 2,000; Butte City, Mont., 5,000; 15,000 in San Francisco.

If those who indorse the single gold standard are not able to produce a better argument than this, they had better abandon the fight, so far as that side of the controversy is concerned, and espouse the cause of bimetalism.

As for the laboring men of the country, they will vote almost as a unit against the present standard, which has been the author of such widespread discontent and suffering.

### He Was a Good Liar.

"I am done with South America," he declared with an air of disgust as he looked at the other loungers in the hotel regaling parlor and sipped a glass of beer. "Nature overdoes everything down there. Melon vines grow so fast that the melons are raised by being dragged over the ground. Where the soil is the most fertile the natives have to go up in a balloon to pick grapes.

Corn grows so tall that crows eat it out of gun range, and the stalks have to be cut down with an ax. The grass comes on so fast that the farmers make hay every week, and there are enough fruits to supply the markets of the world. A man can live there without turning a hand."

"I guess not," grunted an old toper who was looking for just that kind of a snap. "I say you can and have the best there is going. But I wouldn't live there if they decided me the whole shooting match. There are more snakes there than there are leaves in Formosa or whatever it is. They can run like a motor car and climb a tree like a cat."

"High," shuddered the old toper. "And you people don't have any storms up here. One of your cycles would not be a fresh breeze down there. I have seen a blow in Brazil turn an iron kettle wrong-side out. I had just bought a ticket for a place sixty miles away one evening, when I'll be damned if the wind didn't pick the little station up and land me right where I wanted to go. It was done so quick that the old clock did not get through striking seven while we were making the trip. I located a gold mine on top of a hill and it was full of gold. One night the whole top of that infernal hill blew away, and when I found it a lot of Spaniards had jumped the claim."

"How's the grocery business?" brusquely asked a man who had come in a minute before, but the South American traveler had vanished as though on the wings a South American storm.

"Runs a little, one-horse grocery store here at Sumptown," continued the newcomer. "Never been out of Michigan in his life. Heavy-weight champion liar of the world."—Exchange.

### A Mixed Ceremony.

Judge Lee, of Morgan county, who is a red hot silver man and is somewhat excitable in his nature, in marrying a couple recently, got the marriage ceremony mixed up with the Democratic platform lately adopted at the Chicago convention. After mistaking two of the attendants for the brides and groom, he started off after this fashion:

Dearly beloved, we are gathered together here in the presence of these witnesses to join together this man and woman in holy matrimony at the ratio of 16 to 1, which is an honorable estate instituted of God in the time of man's innocence, signifying to us that the standard silver dollar shall be a full legal tender equally with gold for all debts, public and private, into which holy estate these two persons present come now to be joined, therefore if any one can show any just cause why William Jennings Bryan should not be elected President of these United States, let him now speak or forever hereafter hold his peace. I require and charge you both to stick to the Democratic platform lately adopted in Chicago, and if any of you know of any impediment why ye should not, speak now or forever hereafter hold your tongue."—Atlanta Constitution.

### A Good Investment.

What I get for boarding and lodging one person:  
A wife.  
A mother to my children.  
A companion.  
A friend.  
A cook.  
A housekeeper.  
A shirt-maker.  
A button sewer.  
A darning of socks.  
A gardener.  
A nurse.  
A reader.  
A champion.  
A fancy embroiderer.  
An economist.  
A blessing.  
A pickpocket.  
A sharp head and tongue.  
A letter opener.  
A human X ray.  
A better half.

### Wealth Against the Masses.

One of the favorite and stereotyped assertions of the organs of the silver question is that the agitation of the masses of the people against the wealthy class. During the tariff agitation a similar charge was made and the tariff organs were in the habit of dilating upon the great outrage the Democratic anti-high tariff advocates were perpetrating in attempting to array the masses against capital invested in our manufacturing industries. If there be really any conflict between the masses and the wealthy class the men who represent the wealthy class in the present political contest are doing all they can to array the wealthy class against the masses and to convince the masses that there is really a conflict of interests which the man of wealth accepts and acts upon.

The spokesmen of the managers of the campaign for McKinley make the bold boast that they will have more money for use in this campaign than they ever had, for they will have not only the rich manufacturers (who expect to be paid back when the Republican party comes in power) to draw upon, but also the money lenders, bond buyers and gold speculators, who are straining every nerve to defeat the candidate of the Democratic party and thus retain control of the money system of the country. In carrying out this programme of wealth against the people, Mark Hanna and his co-laborers make no secret of the fact that they are relying upon the money of the rich to defeat Bryan and Sewall, and they are bringing into active service men who have never heretofore figured openly in political contests. In Illinois Mark Hanna appointed a committee to collect campaign funds whose aggregate wealth is over \$50,000,000. During his recent visit to New York he appointed a similar committee, consisting of about one hundred and forty men, whose fortunes range from \$125,000,000 to \$1,000,000, whose combined wealths runs over \$552,000,000. This programme will doubtless be followed in other states, demonstrating the fact that these party managers are arraying the men of wealth against the masses and that they are relying upon the money of these men to elect their candidates.

### Tommy's Composition on Tramps.

Tramps are men who travel from place to place hunting work. If a tramp hears of work in a place he goes far out around it. This makes it very hard for the poor tramp to find anything to do. Tramps eat at back doors and would not know how to set at the table. The more tramps eat the hungrier they get. A tramp can eat all day and go to bed hungry. Tramps don't care much about the fashion for gentlemen. Once I saw a tramp wearing stove pipe on his legs. It was for dogs. Tramps look slow but they can run faster than a dog. A tramp that does not run away from a dog does not stay a tramp long. If I was a tramp I would get me a suit of armor like the old knights used to wear, and then I would look through my helmet barred, and would say: "hast thou art, why gnawest at my legs? Get thee gone for a sorry rascal!"

Tramps do not wash their faces enough. Some boys have to wash their faces too much. There is a happy medium which parents should cultivate.

The Sentinel says Mrs. Susan Walker, a widow of Winston, has been an invalid for over six years suffering with spinal disease. Tuesday she astounded the members of her family by getting out of bed and walking without assistance. Mrs. Walker has great faith in prayer, and she tells her friends she has been unusually earnest in her supplications to God for the last few days. She believes her walking is simply an answer to her prayers.

Jan. Phillips, son of Hon. S. M. F. Phillips, of Washington, who was arrested for forgery in New York city last week, plead guilty and was sentenced to the Elmira reformatory.

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## Royal Baking Powder

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A Trust Woven of Thread.

The Coats, Clark and Kerr Families, Inter-married, Form a Combine. New York World.

A trust just been formed which is bound to interest nine out of ten women young and old, the world over. It has many millions of dollars behind it and is likely to absorb many millions more. It is sure to swallow up many competitors who attempt to combat it or even stand with it on even ground. Think of all this fuss over the little spoils of cotton thread that can be bought for a few pennies each over the shop counters.

And there is a romance in this thread trust which may brighten the "Song of the Shirt" in all future time.

For years the Coats, Clarks and the Kerrs have been known as the great thread magnates. They sent their threads to the uttermost parts of the earth. There used to be the greatest competition between them. Each firm was trying to best the others. But one day a young Coats fell in love with a Miss Clark. Then a Miss Kerr lost her heart to a Coats, and matters ran on until the present generation of Coats and Kerrs become closely bound up by family ties. Gradually business competition has died out until now the three powerful houses have, it is claimed, united with a prospect of controlling the cotton trade of the world.

The Kerrs, it is understood, have dropped out, so far as their foreign business is concerned, for a cash consideration of \$750,000. The Clarks are represented in the amalgamation by the Clark's Mile End Cotton company and the Clark's O. N. T. Spool Cotton company. There are two or three smaller manufacturers who have joined the combination, which is controlled, however, by the united family.

The companies in the combination have advanced prices on thread in other countries ranging from 12 1/2 to 15 per cent. The American branches in their price list sent out the first of the month made no change in the quoted prices. But a change was made in the discounts and terms of sale whereby the retailers could get as good terms from the manufacturers as the jobbers, who had formerly been the go-between. The idea of the combination is evidently to control the sale of threads at the retail counters.

Members of the combination seem were unwilling to discuss the matter. James Rustin, agent for one of the companies not in the combination, said a trust had been formed which was as powerful as the Standard Oil Co. The biggest thread companies in the world, he said, were in it and were prepared to outdo all comers in this country. "Their profits are so large in their trade outside of this country," he said, "that they can afford to give away thread here if such a step becomes necessary to ruin competitors. It is the Standard Oil monopoly over again and on a scale nearly as large. By their new discounts and terms of sale they mean to get the retail trade direct, without the intervention of the jobbers. They wish to force the exclusive sale of their threads in this country."

### THE EVIL EYE.

Shakespeare's Allusions to It in His Play, "Richard III."

There are several passages in Shakespeare's play of "Richard III" which, taken in connection with another and taken in connection with an ancient superstition rife in the England of Elizabeth—indeed, still flourishing in many parts of the continent and even lingering here and there in our own land yet—seem to indicate a probability that the dramatist meant us to understand that Richard, as conceived by him, possessed the power of "fascination" through the evil eye. It is true that Shakespeare does not say this in so many words, but the fact of the prevalence of the belief in the evil eye in his day would render it unnecessary for him to do more than hint at or suggest it, and a far stronger argument in explanation of his not making the statement direct would be found in the common persuasion that attaches to so many folkloric superstitions that it is dangerous to mention supernatural or uncanny things by name. We are not obliged to assume in consequence of this that Shakespeare himself believed in the evil eye, and for the present purpose it does not matter whether he did or not, but we do know, as he knows, that most of those who formed his audience believed in it. For his ends the notion would have a striking dramatic value, and it would also help to explain the extraordinary way in which Richard "fascinated" first Ann and then Elizabeth immediately after having wrought them serious injury.

To turn to the passages in question, in I, ii, 45 (Globe text), Ann Nevil says with reference to Gloucester, "Mortal eyes cannot endure the devil." The word "devil" here would have in this case not a general, but a special appropriateness, since possessors of the evil eye were supposed to have acquired that mischievous organ, with its powers of bewitchment, through a compact with satan. I, ii, 78, contains the word "infection," applied by Ann to Gloucester—a term regularly used of the evil eye. In I, ii, 90, we find the phrase "devilish slave" used to Gloucester by Ann. This, viewed in the light of the other passages we are dealing with, may allude to Gloucester's pact with the devil, whereby he became his agent, or "hell's factor to buy souls" (IV, iv, 72), in pursuit of which business the evil eye bestowed on him by satan would be invaluable in attracting and "fascinating" customers. Again, in I, ii, 144, Ann spite at Gloucester. It is needless to remark that from the earliest times, in all ages and among all peoples, one of the commonest antidotes to "fascination" (the technical term for the action of the evil eye) or other evils was despoise malum. In I, ii, 149, we have the accusation again hurled at Gloucester by Ann: "Out of my sight! Thou dost infect mine eyes." In I, iii, 225, we find another accuser in Queen Margaret, who, to Gloucester, says, "That deadly eye of thine." In IV, i, 57, the Duchess of York, his mother, chimes in as a third accuser with the words (addressed to herself in reproach for having brought into the world such a monster as Richard), "A cockatrice hast thou hatch'd to the world, whose unavowed eye is murderous." The beliefs about the fatal glance of the cockatrice are too well known to enter into and are in themselves outside the scope of this note, but it should not be forgotten that this beast also "infected" the air around it.—Notes and Queries.

### Strike Called Off.

"William," said the old man, lowering his countenance so that his son could look into its innermost wrinkles, "I notice that you have not piled up the wood that I this morning called your attention to."

"No, father," returned the youth. "I am on a sympathetic strike."

"Wou—would you take the trouble to inform me," gasped the old man as he reached down from his accustomed nail the familiar fragment of leather tug, "who this strike is in sympathy with?"

"Myself," responded the noble looking youth, at least as noble looking as a youth can be who is doubled over a sawbuck while the old man doltily engaged in a number of strikes, rapid in their succession but utterly unsympathetic in their character. "Where I made my mistake," sobbed the boy, as he went back to his job at the old saws, "was in not burning the woodpile while the strike was in operation."—New York Record.

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