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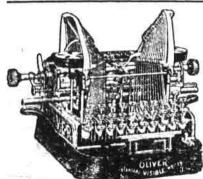
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W. J. Bryan Discusses Questions-Has Nothing to Withdraw on Economical Questions ondon, Eng., Dispatch, 12th.

William J. Bryan having had the opportunity of reading Amercan newspapers, consented today to discuss some of the questions which have been raised since he has again become prominent as a Presidential possibility.

that there may be no misunderstanding on that subject permit me to say that in one sense I always have been a conservative. The Democratic politics are conservative in that they embody old principles applied to new were accused of attacking property when in fact the Democratic party is the defender of property because it endeavors to draw the line between honest accumulation by honest methods on the one side and predatory wealth and immoral methods on the other. It is to the interest of every honest man that dishonesty should wise the deserving are apt to suffer for the undeserving. If however, by the word conserva tive they mean that I have

discussion. has been any apparent change is engineers have already comthe silver question. We contend menced operations. ed for more money and urged titative theory of money but have made fit for agricultural purproven the benefits of the larger poses. amount of money. No advocate of the gold standard can claim the triumph of his logic.

I believe that the restoration of draining of swamp lands in t silver would bring still further respective States and Repre prosperity, besides restoring par tative Small, of North Carol the silver question as an issue.

front and to those questions we worthy of careful consideration must apply the same principles by Congress. we applied to the money questions, and seek to secure the age generally, Mr. Mead said: greatest good to the greatest "The Department is very much forms to the doctrine of equal tion and we have just commiseges to none.

understand it and were fright-ened into opposition. We cannot "About three weeks ago the expect the support of any one people of lower South Carolina who is interested in taking ad- held a convention at Charleston vantage of the people either which I attended with Engineer through trusts or through any C. G. Elliott, of this Department. ness. Our efforts should be to vital importance were taken up distinguish between those cor- and discussed, and the results is porations which are legitimate that the corps of engineers 1 and those aggregations of wealth have mentioned has been sent which are organized for purposes to begin work there. The same of public plunder and appeal for thing could be done in Virginia, support to those only who are North Carolina and others States, willing to have the government if the people of the different sec-

joyment of his own earnings. The newspapers have been trying to create friction between portant question and one that is what they call old friends and susceptible of great latitude. new friends in politics. Those Even on the north Atlantic seaare friends who are working to- board, where the lands in some wards a common end, and each cases will not begin to equal those campaign brings to some extent further down the coast, irrigaa new allignment. In 1896 the tion and Irainage matters are beparty lost many Democrats and ing given the closest attention. that time and we welcomed them. other Southern States in drain-In 1900 some came back who age matters within a very short were against us in 1896, and we time, and the next session of did not shut the door against Congress will doubtless see good them. I have no idea that the appropriations for the work.
party will require tickets of ad- "All along the South Atlantic mission in the coming campaign, coast, in the States of Virginia, Usually parties are so anxious to the two Carolinas, Florida and secure recruits that past differ others there are thousands of ences are not emphasized if there acres of fine swamp land that signed. is a sincere agreement on pres- could be made to produce as ent issues. I do not know that much as land anywhere else in life, finished in the most up-to-date styles. We can find a better plan than the country if properly treated.

to work and not to interfere with the others laborers. But of course when an overseer has to be selected experience cannot be left out of consideration. The worker who came late would, if honest, be too modest to assume an attitude of superiority over those who had toiled during the earlier hours. While the question is one of purpose a man who recognizes the dangers that threaten our country and is anx-He said:
"I notice that I am described difficult to establish friendly redations with those who saw danious to avert them will not find it as a conservative, and in order tations with those who saw dangers at an earlier date.

"If the differences between the sincere and the pretended friends of reform cannot be discovered before they will become apparent when the platform is written: for if present indications count for conditions. There was nothing anything that platform is likely new in principle in either of the platforms on which I stood. We mistake it and so strong that no enemy of Democratic principles will be drawn to the party."

Mr. Bryan added that he would discuss the trust, tariff, railroad and labor questions, imperlatism and other issues at length when he reached America.

BIG DRAINAGE UNDERTAKING.

be exposed and punished; other. The Department of Agriculture Interested in Improvement of Coast Land.

changed my position on any pub- mean much for the coast sections lic question or moderated my of North Carolina and Virginia opposition to corporate aggran. within the near future has been dizement they have a surprise taken by E. S. Mead, chief of the awaiting them. I am more radical bureau of drainage and irrigathan I was in 1896 and have tion of the Department of Agrinothing to withdraw on economic culture. He has just sent a force questions which have been under of skilled engineers to Charleston, S. C., to begin active work The only question we dis surveying lands that need draincussed in 1896 upon which there ing in that section, and these

For many years efforts have the free coinage of silver as the been made by Representatives only means then in sight of se. in Congress from Virginia, North curing it. The increased pro- Carolina and South Carolina to duction of gold has brought in effect some practical results in part the benefit we expected to the matter of draining swamp secure from the restoration of lands. The first two States have silver. The per capita volume so far received no tangible reof money in the United States is sults from the work done, but almost five per cent. greater now | South Carolina has taken the inithan it was in 1896, and the bene- tiative in the matter recently its brought by this increase with the results that her swamp have not only vindicated the quan- lands are soon to be opened and

During the session of Congress just ended Representatives from both Virginia and North Carolina "I believe in bi-metalism, and introduced bills looking to in exchange between gold and endeavored to pass a bill approsilver-using countries; but I rec. priating \$3,000,000 for drainage ognize, as do all other bimetalists of the Dismal Swamp. It is bewhom I have met abroad, that lieved that this would have re- Bed Spring, go to Humphrey & the unexpected and unprece- ceived favorable consideration at the Lumberton Novelty Works, Lumber dented increase in gold produc- had not other appropriation bills ton, N. C., Manufacturers of the Celetion has for the present removed been larger than in years past. The scheme has the endorsement many points of superiority over the ordi While the money question has of the Department of Agricul waned in importance, other quest ture, and Chief Mead believes tions have been forging to the that the plan is one entirely

Discussing the matter of drain number by legislation which con- interested in the drainage ques- structed as to render them absolutely rights for all and special privi- sioned and put in the field near Charleston, S. C., a corps of skil-On the new questions many ed engineers. They will work will act with us who were against in the vicinity of Charleston unus on the money question, for til they have finished the work notwithstanding the discussion there, then they will go to other of that question, millions did not places that may hereafter be as-

protect each person in the entions would follow the lead of the people of South Carolina.

"As I said, this is a most im-

was recruited by a great many The outlook is good for syswho had been Republicans up to tematic work to be commenced in

Come and see our work. We make Fami- the Bible plan, which admits the The subject has received serious weather to get a desired the little the vineyard, and to share the remany years, and I am glad to ward with those who began ear see that the people are now belier. I think this is sound poli- ginning to realize the importance tics as well as sound religion of developing land that has here provided the new recruit comes tofore proved of little value.

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