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THE CLOSING DISCUSSION.

Now that the silver bill has passed the Senate it is needless to discuss it, but there are some facts connected with it that are instructive.

During the speech of Mr. Ingalls, of Kansas, to-day in the Senate in favor of the silver bill, he said that the resolutions showed that twenty-five States, with a population of 34,000,000, are in favor of the proposition.

Affairs begin to put on a "lovely look" in Europe. Russia has yielded to the good offices of Emperor William, and has withdrawn its troops from the line occupied on Friday.

Last summer the charges preferred against United States Marshal Robert M. Douglass, of the Western District of North Carolina, were satisfactorily answered by that gentleman.

If this is true, then we hope Western Democrats will ever hereafter hold their peace about Douglass' shortcomings or faults or crimes.

We suppose the amended silver bill will be voted upon at once in the House. Let the bill be passed immediately, and then let our Representatives turn their attention to the question of resumption, and settle it as quickly as possible.

It ought to be reapproved or repealed at once. A law specifying a time of resumption ought never to be passed. Resumption is a thing that depends on conditions a law cannot make or change.

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A NOBLE EXAMPLE. The attitude of Mr. Lamar towards the Legislature of his State is strikingly grand. Standing almost on the pinnacle of political fame, and weighing well the possible consequences of his refusal to obey the body that made him what he is, he dares to disregard its instruction to vote in favor of the Bland silver bill.

Whit is we can commend a part of this fine compliment we cannot commend all. Senator Lamar exhibited doubtless a manly independence in obeying his own convictions, and showed himself quite capable of defying public opinion, but we are by no means sure that people in search of servants consciously entrust such men as he with the responsibilities and duties of official life.

During the discussion on one of these Messrs. Blaine and Washburne, who were members of the House when silver was demonetized, acknowledged to each other that they did not know it was done, and when it was done, Mr. Beck said he would vote for the bill whether amended or not, and wanted silver ceased as fast as possible.

What then was Senator Lamar's duty to them? He owed them his unreserved service. He was elected to represent in the United States Senate a sovereign State of nearly a million people.

When Senator Lamar found his views irreconcilable antagonism to those held by his people—the people of Mississippi—what was his duty? Still to defy them—still to act as he thought? Why, he stood in the Senate in the place of his State, and if he voted at all he should have represented the wishes of that State.

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Democratic and republican doctrine. It is time, it seems, that the doctrine was reaffirmed or repudiated. Let us understand precisely in what relation our representatives stand to their constituents.

We said in a former article that there was nothing in the history of this government, in the way of legislation, that was as despicable, as factually, as the demonetizing act of 1873, by which the bondholders were exclusively favored.

But the cry is the dollar is only worth 92 cents. Grant it, but how comes it that it is only worth that? It was worth a dollar when the law of 1873 was passed.

John Sherman is in a good way of at last finding his proper level. He long ago won a very bad name in the estimation of Democrats, and he is fast losing credit with the more respectable Republicans.

It is undeniable that no public man in the country represents capital and capitalists so thoroughly as John Sherman, and his whole course shows him to be the agent and partner of the bond-holding class, who control the politics of New York and its subsidized press.

Sherman has been at the head of the opposition to the demonetization of silver. If possible he should be driven from the Treasury. No such fellow should be allowed to occupy his present place with his known character and pronounced opposition to the monetary schemes of the present Congress.

At the October elections, 1876, an incident occurred at Mansfield, Ohio, which shows the character of John Sherman, and illustrates to what an extent he would go to secure a vote for his party in Ohio.

The vagaries and inconsistencies of the "monometalists" pass comprehension. They are as contradictory and contracted in their views as if they lived in a nut-shell and had only a very small bird's-eye view of things around them.

They refuse to remember how in 1869 the Government, with an astonishing amount of liberality and charity quite misdirected too, we grant, enacted a law for the relief of the bondholders, making the bonds redeemable in gold and silver only.

Oxford Torchlight: "The dollar of our daddies! Don't know anything about it! Never had a dollar of our daddies all at once in the world. The old man does not seem to be so anxious to get us to bring back the change."

When it is proposed to restore that standard of value that was secretly stolen, the cry goes up that it is dishonest—that it is downright stealing. Such is the blindness, such the clap-netting.

The action of the Senate, to be followed by the action of the House in restoring the silver dollar to its original place in our currency, meets the hearty approbation of probably four-fifths of the American people.

Excelsior Interest Rates. We have been furnished the following by one of our business friends on the wharf, with the assurance that it will be found correct in every particular, and hence very useful to merchants and others.

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The truth is, that the money-changers feel and know that the restoration of silver would settle the question, and correct these vibrations and fluctuations, which are the cause of their grasping trade.

Fire at the Navassa Guano Works. A fire broke out at the Navassa Guano Works on Sunday afternoon, about half-past five o'clock, which destroyed the barn and stave shed, located near two hundred feet north of the guano factory.

The origin of the fire, which was first discovered in the shed, is a mystery, though no suspicious circumstances were observed. It is possible that it may have been caused by a spark from the chimney of some building on the premises occupied by colored employes.

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Having of the Great Thirteenth-Floor Destruction of the Authorities of Louisiana and the National Democracy. Parades Himself as the Great Martyr—Seeks a New Rebellion—Declares for Open, Determined and Unrelenting War.

J. Madison Wells prints a column and a half letter in the Times, in which he says: "When it is known that five successive grand juries have firmly refused to find a true bill against me at the behest of the Attorney General, and that the prosecution against me and my associates is based upon information, some public interest attaches to each to the personal character of the law former."

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Spirits Turpentine. This Turpentine has two clubs which rejoice in being Athleteum and Shakespear.

There is a chair-manufacturing in Lincoln county that turns out eighteen hundred annually. Its capacity is for 7,000, but there is no demand for so many.

The amount of postage paid is the only true way of ascertaining with any certainty about a newspaper's circulation.

Raleigh News: A meeting of the members of the congregation of the First Presbyterian church, to settle a permanent pastor, Rev. Dr. Vaughan stated his intention of retiring from active ministerial life and duties.

Baker'sville Republican: On last Friday morning, Mr. Gouge, who has charge of the mail, on the Roanoke, during the summer months, was taken by some one scratching at the door, and on opening it he was met by a large black bear who was evidently seeking more comfortable quarters than the snow-covered banks of the Roanoke.

Hickory Press: The madman among the dogs in McDowell county is becoming a serious matter, as a number of persons having been bitten by them in different parts of the county, though none have been attacked with hydrophobia as yet.

Hendersonville Courier: Several months ago a proposition was circulated for subscriptions to erect poles from this place to Asheville, and a sufficient amount subscribed to pay for the same.

Winston Sentinel: We hear that the ladies of Salem are organizing a reading room, located in the rooms of the Citizen's Reading Club.

Salisbury Watchman: Our friend, John Wilson, has a pig. He says his pig will drink a bucket of slop, and he can then put the pig in the bucket. He wants to know if any mechanics have taken a barrel to Boston's egg packing. He says a barrel will only hold three bushels of eggs, and that he can pack two and a half bushels of oats and two and a half bushels of corn in a barrel.