

### What William Jumpup Bryan Said.

Editor The Yellow Jacket:—Not that any discussion of the money question is necessary at this time in order to convince sensible men that poor money never made any nation rich; but a fellow can't help but think over the calamity speeches of 1896. John Sherman had committed the "boss crime" in 1873, but the people did not find it out until they had swallowed a real live free trade rat in 1892. Cleveland called his soup house agents together and after 18 months of wrangle they gave us the "starvation act"—the Wilson Gorman law—which was so unsatisfactory to Grover that he went off fishing and let it become a "law" without his signature. He had been elected upon a sound money platform and failed to vent to the act repealing the purchasing clause of the Sherman law; right here him and William Jumpup Bryan locked horns, and have been raising sand and hair ever since. Four years ago William Jumpup Bryan was riding around on the tail end of a train preaching his silver plated gospel of 16 to 1 to the benighted farmers and wage earners of the whole United States. "The Crime of 73," and the "repeal of the Sherman law" had caused all the "low prices" and "hard times." O yes—the "Wilson law" had nothing to do with the "low prices for which it was intended. The tariff question was "not the issue." A h—l of a "crime" had been committed in 1873, and labor was about to be "crucified upon a cross of gold." The "dollars of our daddies" had been "demonitized" and the country was going straight to everlasting starvation, stagnation and damnation, and would land there right in the middle of dog days, unless we declared for "free silver" at the heaven born ratio of 16 to 1. But Willie Jumpup got set down on the head of salt river, and the "purchasing clause of the Sherman law" still looks natural, while the Wilson Gorman law and those soup kettles, and the skeleton of free trade fill one and the same grave in the democratic grave yard of dead issues. Willie Jumpup stood on his tip toes and declared that "prices could not rise under the gold standard," but must continue to go "down and down" until the masses would become the "servants of the money sharks of wall street." No argument is now needed to refute every word that he uttered from the stump four years ago. The daily market reports are all the argument that is needed to convince every

sensible man that Willie Jumpup was just simply lying for "revenue only."

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### Our Way's The Best.

It is astonishing how differently the various nations of the earth will act in precisely the same circumstances.

For instance, when a fly is found in a glass of beer just as the drinker is about to drink each nationality pursues a different course of action.

An American will laugh and order a fresh glass.

A Spaniard will pay for the beer, but quietly move off without touching it.

A Frenchman will pay and go, but makes a tremendous fuss about it.

An Englishman will empty the glass and demand a fresh one.

A German will carefully hook out the fly with his little finger and then swallow the beer.

A Russian will swallow the beer fly and all.

A Chinaman will first rescue the fly, eat it, and drink the beer afterward.—Ex.

### Shelling The Woods.

Sam Jones is shelling the woods at Toccoa, Ga. We cull a few paragraphs of his talks as printed in the Atlanta Journal:

"I want you to come to preaching before you get full of beef and the devil.\*\* Don't lie about it you old hog you.

\*\* I wish folks were as decent as hogs. Wish all mean fool, whiskey selling moonshine scoundrels would go off to the creek and drown themselves. \*\* The Presbyterians are good folks and I love them. They just need more religion and will go to hell if they don't get it. I like Baptists. I got my wife out of one of their ponds but think they are the last folks to brag, for they don't know where they started. Some of them have got religion, but most of them haven't. \*\* When I hear some preachers preach I go home feeling like a baby had slobbered in my ear. \*\* You mountain sprouts are as good as Toccoa. They are just mean and you are a combination of ignorance and meanness. I'm going to shoot in the hole where you are at. Liquor and religion wont stay in the same carcass. You drink liquor and call yourself a christain, you dirty, hound. \*\* Nobody but dirty lousy devils go in a saloon. If you boys drink liquor and have the right daddy he will take you out and fix you so you will have to stand up to eat your meals for six months, Some of you left your bottle in your buggies and brought

your pistols in church with you to defend your character. Why you have no character and what do you think of that bud?—Some one ought to break a jug over your head and make you hit the ground running a mile a minute. You could butt with a billy goat and send the goat home with a headache."

### Changes In Kansas.

The special from Valley Falls, Kan., which appeared in yesterday's Journal and gave the result of a canvass of Delaware township, Jefferson County, furnished an exceedingly interesting and promising story of political readjustment in the Sunflower State. The canvass was made by a correspondent of the Journal as a verification of the Republican State Committee's report on that township. The committee's report was verified in every particular, there being thirty changes from Bryan to McKinley and none from McKinley to Bryan, and of the eight gold democrats of the township who voted for Palmer and Buckner or McKinley and Hobart in 1896, five declared their intention to support the Republican ticket this year.

As this township which was selected by chance for investigation, may be regarded as a pretty good test of political sentiment in Kansas, the report is very significant. The names of those who have changed from Bryan to McKinley are given, and most of them give their reasons for changing. these reasons are timely and instructive, coming from professional men, merchants, farmers, mechanics and laborers. Among the sentiments expressed may be mentioned the following:

"It has been demonstrated that we have an abundance of money, and the laboring people are having a chance to earn good wages. Farmers are prosperous and business in general is good. There is no reason to change off a certainty for an uncertainty."

"It is impossible for me, with my love of Americanism, to support a ticket whose main issue is the hauling down of the American flag."

"I think that the future success of the country depends upon the success of the republican party. The most disastrous thing that could happen at this time would be the election of a democratic president."

"I have no confidence in the democratic professions of liberty and freedom, as their past history will not bear them out. If they believe in equal rights, why do they not encourage a free

ballot among the blacks as well as the whites?

When Bryan in 1896, declared that the success of republicans ment 8 cent corn and 25 cent wheat, foreclosure of mortgages on farms and the starvation of laboring people, I actually took some stock in his prophecies. But he has proven a false prophet. If he was wrong in his prophecies then, why should he listen to his prophecies now?

This talk about consent of the governed, coming from democrats, is ridiculous. That doctrine is not mentioned in North Carolina and other Southern States.

I have become disgusted with the sympathy the Pops profess for the laboring man. It is bogus.

Plenty of work and good times have changed me from a Bryanite to a McKinley man. Bryan caught us four years ago with his alarmist speeches. He will not do it again.

I have had plenty of work the past three years that's what interests me.

I have made money farming under McKinley. It kept me scratching to make a living under Cleveland.

I am for prosperity and the flag.

We should not swap horses in the middle of the stream.

My motto is, let good enough alone.

The republicans gave us what they said they would—good times. That is why I am for McKinley.

I voted for Bryan in '96 because I thought he would bring prosperity. He lost. The republicans have brought it, and I am for McKinley.

These good and sufficient reasons will apply as well in other States as in Kansas.—Kansas City, Mo. Journal.

### Fewest Failures in Eighteen Years.

"Bradstreet's," that argus eyed observer of trade conditions in this country, calls attention to the fact that the failures reported for the past six months are the fewest in number for the same period in eighteen years. There were 4,880 failures with estimated assets \$27,475,514 and liabilities of \$60,064,208.

In the face of these facts a person would be foolhardy to declare that business has not prospered under republican controll. The record of the past four years, or since McKinley took office at Washington, shows a steady decline in the number of failures and in liabilities. This is, of course, an isolated trade fact, but when it is combined with other factors of the business situation an interesting condition is dis-

covered. The bank clearings throughout the country have steadily grown, showing infallibly that business is increasing. Railroads and other corporations are paying dividends without a question as to earning capacity. Our foreign commerce has risen to an importance and a volume unprecedented in the history of the country, and in the face of all these gigantic trade movements the failures have grown to the smallest number in eighteen years.

Does the intelligent voter wish to change this condition of affairs? Does he desire to create a condition where business may fall off, failures increase and debts be paid in a depreciated currency? If he does let him vote for Bryan.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

There is no doubt of the re-election of President McKinley, although there is some about the election of a majority of the House. But there is time enough to remove the doubt, if every individual republican will realize the danger and go to work to help get out the full party vote. Chairman Babcock, of the Congressional Committee, who knows, says a full republican vote will certainly retain control of the House.

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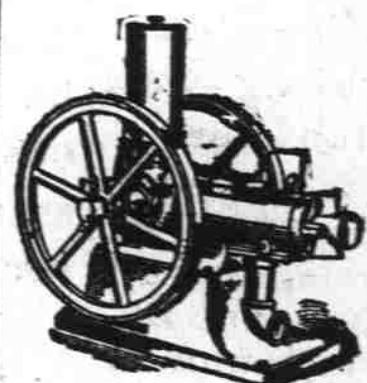
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