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HOW CAN A PATRIOT HESITATE?

Ex-Speaker Crisp, in his speech in the House a few days ago, said that both the Democratic and Republican Presidents for the last twenty years had stood for the gold standard.

Mr. Crisp spoke a great truth; but how can he stay in the Democratic party when he knows that he and every sane man knows, that every President that may hereafter be elected, either by the Democratic party or Republican party, will be of the same stripe, if not worse.

He knows that a very large majority of the voters of this country are opposed to the single gold standard, and that if their votes could be united they could elect an American patriot for President, and that hard times would vanish.

When Mr. Crisp stays in the Democratic party and advises silver Democrats to do the same thing, he is doing exactly what the goldbugs want him to do.

There are but two sides to this question. The issue has already been squarely drawn between the gold trust and the people.

NO CO-OPERATION WITH THE DEMOCRATIC MACHINE. The Washington Post of last Saturday says: "There is a movement on foot among leading Democrats of North Carolina which, if carried to a successful consummation, will mightily affect the political destinies of that State and completely revolutionize existing conditions."

We do not know where the Post got its information; but one thing is certain: its informant was badly off his base.

This has been done by the party leaders who have been anxious to get the patronage of the goldbug Federal pie counter.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Without irreverence, we note that some Democrats, if not the Democratic party, are calling on the Lord. Charlotte Observer correspondents are especially vociferous.

It is time for the people of all parties to co-operate against the goldbugs and monopolists who control both old party organizations.

Then we thought about Cleveland's wedding invitations to Douglas of his colored appointees to the biggest office in the District of Columbia.

It is a part of the irrefragable conflict now going on in every State in the Union between the people and the common enemy.

"MCKINLEY FOR SOUND MONEY." In his address at Chicago, on Lincoln's birthday, William McKinley came out squarely for sound money.

The Herald which is a Democratic goldbug organ, goes on to praise McKinley for his courage in declaring squarely for the "sound money."

We observe that the Democratic party would soon think of lowering the flag of our country as to contempt and opposition any attempt to degrade or corrupt the medium of exchanges among the people.

As to Messrs. Reid and Craig, they are of the same opinion still, and many more Democrats are of the same opinion.

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