A real student of the great question of national finance must discriminate nicely and poise himself well or he drawn into the current of enthusiasm for, or the cataract of violent opposition against the other of the opposing theories. The discussion of the great silver question is entered into by so many with more zeal than logic, with more effort to silence the antagonist than to give a reason for the faith that is in them. If a strong argument is made, for want of refutation, some inconsistency in the author is hunted for with the hope, not unfounded, of neutralizing its force. Great numbers of adherents to one or the other side is expected to have much weight, when every one knows that the majority of us do not fully understand the question but believe one theory because we are prejudiced against the other.

The Democratic platform of '92 is appealed to and each side claims its favorable decision, whereas it clearly demands the use of both silver and gold, but at a parity. If free coinage would work a disparity the platform condemns free silver, if not, it sanctions it. Very many of us know positively and unequivocally, but we are on different sides. We know that it will and we know that it won't. And more than likely if we found it and everything else unfavorable, we would not care a hate, for we believe it because we believe it. As for a man for whom we have ever cast a vote it is just simply an outrage for him to oppose us, and we half believe nobody but a fool would ever cast a vote for such a monster. Statesmen of our early national existence are called up for confirmation of our views and their mutterings on topics not quite similar to ours are only caught by ears that, like the photographer's plate, are especially adapted to receive certain impressions, but lo and behold! the one ear catches it as positive and the other as negative. The one fraction says the gold standard persuasion is Democratic and that only, the other sees clearly that if you do not favor free coinage you have no part nor lot with Democracy. The one would say you are not honest to demand such an absurd thing, the other would say you are bought for a price. Each would hold up the other to the scorn of the world for bolting at the Chicago convention when the decision is against such opponent, which it is sure to be. All this exists in the Democratic family, and that too, after the humiliating fact that such is responsible for the departure two years ago of many good and noble, but erring citizens, who were overcome with imaginary evils and vainly sought better affiliations. Now in the interest of peace and for the only possible hope for the triumph of principles we deem for the betterment of our national home with all that is embraced in the idea of home, can we not in a brotherly way give our reasons for believing as we do and for getting our fellow men to believe with us and at the same time remember that others may conscientiously differ with us. How desirable that we should go to the Chicago convention with firm but moderate bearings toward our own convictions, with a willingness to abide its decisions!

THE STANDARD does not wish to be understood as being on a pivot, but to verify our position as a believer in bi-metallism with a gold standard basis, or be led to embrace the opposite if we are found in error, we are giving the subject a close study. But we find so much of unfair assertions, stigmatizing epithets, and unkind threats that we feel morelike pleading for harmonious relations in the Democratic ranks than we do for the adoption of views we believe to be correct, for after all if the worst must come there will be about the same for all to suffer, and if the better is to prevail all may enjoy it if they will. We honestly think, though, that the strong arguments presented to our view have been favorable to the limited coinage of silver.

We hear a great deal about our money system as defective, inadequate, monstrous and criminal with an implied promise that the free coinage of silver would be the panacea for all our financial ills. It is deplorable enough that the gold reserve is constantly diminishing from our national treasury. It is alarming enough that our national debt is increasing instead of disappearing. But who is able to repair the damages of an abnormally agitated people. It is bad enough for our statesmen to steer the ship of state through smooth channels into a haven of prosperity, but when the public mind is turned into a frenzy by misleading sophistry till a patriot is pronounced above a schemer, no wonder the national machinery seems to be out of gear.

In 1893 we had an overflowing treasury and the gold reserve was so completely at rest that Congressman Shuford, in 1892, in a speech showed that he as well as many of us was ignorant of the true significance of the gold reserve. Wall street and the money makers catch it roundly from certain classes of our political element but the Democrats in 1888 were defeated largely by such love of money as bought many votes in some sections of the union together with a restive inconstancy that led to disloyalty to the cause of Democracy. The Republicans under Mr. Harrison were able to hush all talk of a surplus in the treasury, and to fix upon Congress such a load of pensions and extravagant appropriations as would remove all necessity for another message like Mr. Cleveland's famous one of 1888. And now we are groaning under the consequences and the Democracy and Mr. Cleveland are abused by those very men who should have stayed with and have helped us to avert the very evils of which they so loudly complained. Ever more they actually fused with those who were logically their worst political enemies to defeat us in whose ranks they formerly stood and against whom their first great complaint was that we were not Democratic enough. And now shall the tattered and bleeding files of Democracy waste their powder on the phantom of free coinage instead of marching to victory under the banner of sound money, tariff for revenue and states rights not detrimental to our national compact?

In all candor we feel that there are too many good men in our county and State who were unduly excited and induced to sever their relation with the Democratic party in the late general election. We have nothing to offer for their return but a most hearty welcome with a willingness to let by gones be by gones. While the party is not faultless, surely one seeking the soundest political principles and the highest political virtues would not leave the Democratic ranks for those of any other party existing among us.

If a man finds he made an error in leaving the party he should not do himself and friends the wrong to remain away. To make a wrong step anybody may do, but it is the mark of the highest degree of manhood to retrace that step when the error is seen. A force strong enough to effect our defeat ought to yield power enough to correct our errors which are surely less patent than in any other party. Then why not be a part of the party that has given us, if not perfection, surely the best county, State and national government that we have enjoyed since the war? To return to us in good faith means success and triumph for the principles you surely hold dear. To array yourselves against us is to weaken our hands and your own and secure the triumph of such political economy as is unsuited to most of the masses and especially to the South.

The Senatorial contest between the astute Hill and the fiery Tillman probably is not without some good. It may serve as a check on the reckless raillery of the palmetto here who doubtless possesses abilities not to be despised but who seems possessed of an ambition that may obscure his real worth, while it shows the New York aspirant for high honors to be capable in the light of fairness to defend his triumphant competitor.

Two years ago he thought it noble in Mr. E. C. Caldwell, of Statesville, after his defeat for solicitor to still champion the Democratic cause. How strongly he urged loyalty and unity. Now he is ready for affiliation with somebody or nobody we do not know which. Of course he hurls his fiercest anathemas at that sterling mark with which the history of our country will be adorned, and indulges in terms so radical and absurd against the president as to forfeit the respect for his discriminating powers that we would gladly repose in him.

If President Cleveland is not a great and good statesman the American people who have had such a good chance to know him were singularly foolish to elect him a second time to his high office.

We are pained to see from some exchanges that the opponents of the great silver question uphold his the lash even on monetarial digests and drive their preachers to commercial exile and then to banishment if opposed to their particular lean-ings. We accord to ministers their perfect right to convictions, entertained and expressed, but we would not quote them as authority because it tends to draw down on their heads dislike and the opposition of those so greatly wrought up, and thereby hinder them in their great work beside which all others fall into insignificance.

The Methodist Episcopal Conference in session at Cleveland, Ohio, is much exercised over the question of admitting women to seats as delegates in the Conference. The discussion seems to be spirited and it certainly opens a fine field for eloquent eulogies for the fair sex. A forcible argument against it is the unconstitutionality of admitting them. But constitutions can be changed and it must sooner or later be considered solely upon its merits. The old school of thinkers, including the Apostle Paul, would seem very much against it, but woman is pressing to the front in every sphere of life and is challenging man to every contest. We are not sure that the Apostle Paul meant that woman should never evolve to such breadth of logical capabilities as would make his restrictions less applicable than they then were. A vein of guardianship seems to pervade his treatment of the subject. For her to cope with man in all deliberative bodies would be far less progress in psychological evolution than makes the expansion of electrical phenomena from Franklin's tinkering with the lightning with a bottle and a kite string to the now wonderful X rays. But the most serious consideration of all is as to whether our sex, no longer feeling so much developing upon us, would relax our energies and degenerate from the heights of masculine prowess to that femininity which gives rise to the term "weaker vessel." If when she soars aloft she drops her mantle upon us so that we shall possess those winning graces and sweet little charms that make her the idol of our dreams, we have little to lose; but if she is to assume all that is masculine and retain all that is feminine and we are to lose half or more of all that is masculine, and take on nothing desirable that is feminine the quicker we prepare for the crisis the better.

The wrangling between the Republicans and Populists does not indicate fusion. Two years ago it was anything to beat the Democrats, and fusion was not so difficult if it was one of the most absurd and unseemly coalitions ever heard of. But fusion workers and Democracy was defeated and great was the joy. But after a very natural amount of jubilation each began to feel that "Ike and Betsy killed a bear." Now the terms of fusion are made rather hard and it seems there is a disposition to unload. Well, you don't mind unloading and dismissing the team when you are in out of the wet. As for us, fusion would not sweeten any cup, so we will not take any in ours if you please.

President Cleveland, on May 6th, extended the provisions of the Civil Service to 30,000 more government employees, increasing the number from 85,736 to 85,135. This embraces nearly all officials below the line where confirmation of the Senate is required and above mere laborers who require little other than muscular skill. If no new avenue is found to bring evil out of good this will certainly bring much relief to the appointing power. When public office is wanted there is generally much dissatisfaction on the part of those who fail to get one. Then comes prejudice and above and a lowering of respect to some one. This Civil Service principle is consistent, we believe, with most professions and certainly with the President's practice.

An exchange says Senator Hill of New York, is not a man entirely after our own heart, but we cannot but admire the way in which he has stood up against the mud slinging methods of Peffer and his allies, who have for months been seeking to besmirch the officers upon whom the American people have cast their greatest honors, solely for the sake of making material with which to gorge the insatiable thirst of their own followers, to whom a scandal imputation against somebody high in trust is as breath to their nostrils.

The McKinley boom has swept almost as a tidal wave over the land till few if any doubt that he will be nominated at St. Louis. His name stands unique as the champion of a tariff system that draws from every man, woman and child in the nation, a tribute, graded highest on the poor, lowest on the rich and of the least revenue to the United States treasury. Can Democrats afford to divide? Oh, Populists who demand more than is practical in any party forget all and for want of unity secure a return of the system that has more than all things else contributed to a condition, that to say the least, is much complained of?

The Republican party has prospered in its erratic methods for many years through somebody's ability to divert the attention of the masses from an imaginary and impractical source of relief.


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I want a drum.
I pray the Lord my soul to keep—
I want a drum.
If I should die before I wake—
I want a drum.
I pray the—Lord—my—soul—to—take—
I—want—a—drum.

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### Stick for You Horse.

"May I offer you a stick of gum?" asked the traveling man in the smoking car, by way of introducing himself to the passenger in the seat directly in front of him.

The man turned around, looked at the proffered slab, and shook his head.

"I—I beg your pardon," he said, "I manufacture that gum." I never chew it. But if you will join me, I will open this box of candy I bought just before I got on the train."

The traveling man looked at the label on the box and shuddered.

"We make that candy," he remarked shrugging his shoulders. "I never touch it."

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### Murderer Holmes Hanged.

PHILADELPHIA, May 7.—Murderer Hermann W Mudgett, alias H H Holmes, was hanged this morning in the county prison for the killing of Benjamin F Pietzel.

The drop fell at 12:10 o'clock and twenty minutes later he was pronounced dead by the prison officials Dr. Sharp and Dr. Butcher.

The execution was in every way devoid of any sensational features. To the last he was self-possessed and controlled, even to the extent of giving a word of advice to Assistant Superintendent Richardson, as the latter was arranging the final details. He died as he had lived, unconcerned, and thoughtless, apparently, of the future, even with the recollection still vividly before him of the recent confession, in which he admitted the killing of a score of persons of both sexes and in all parts of the country. He refuted everything, and almost his last words were a point-blank denial of any crimes committed, except the deaths of two women at his hands from malpractice. Of the murder of the Pietzel family he denied all complicity, particularly of the father, for whose death he stated he was suffering the penalty. Then, with the prayer of the spiritual attendants still sounding in his ears and with a few low spoken words to them about the trap swung, and beyond a few incidental post mortem details, the sensation which culminated one of the most storied known to criminology ended.

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| In the matter of W. R. Kindley, L. E. Hellig, J. S. Kindley and others. | Application for charter. |

The petitioners above named having complied with the laws of this State, by filing in my office a copy of their agreement which has been duly proven and the Secretary of this State having issued, under the great seal, letters patent, which are also filed and recorded in my office, declaring said petitioners to be duly incorporated under the name and style of The W. R. Kindley Cotton Mills, for the period of thirty years from 9th April 1896.

It is now on motion of W. M. Smith, attorney for petitioners, ordered that public notice be given that said petitioners are duly incorporated in accordance with law for the purpose of the manufacture and sale of cotton goods, yarns, threads and all textile fabrics of wool or cotton, either or both, of all description whatsoever, and to buy and sell and to deal in goods, wares and merchandise of every kind and description, to purchase, own, lease or otherwise acquire, mortgage and to sell and convey real estate, to sue and be sued, to contract and be contracted with, and upon the terms as set forth in said agreement.

The capital stock of said corporation to consist of twenty thousand dollars, divided into two hundred shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each, with privilege to increase the same to fifty thousand dollars.

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