

WHY SILVER MEN CLAIM OHIO.

A month ago, when the Democrats began talking about carrying Ohio, it was regarded by the gold people as a new and maniacal outbreak of the silver "lunacy." They had forgotten, if they ever knew, the vote in 1892.

Ohio was a State that had voted for none but Republican candidates for President for thirty years; it was Major McKinley's home, and that settled it. Two weeks ago that dispassionate and impartial writer, Henry George, made a tour observation through the State, mainly devoted to talking with the working classes. At the conclusion of his trip he announced that the State would vote for Bryan without a doubt. This announcement was greeted with great hilarity by the gold people, and Mr. George was assigned to his proper place among the silver lunatics, an assignment that made against his protest that he was not a silver man, and did not agree with the silver people about amount of good free coinage would accomplish. But some of the gold people stopped their hilarity long enough to look back at the official vote of Ohio in 1892. It read:

Harrison (Republican)..... 405,187
Cleveland (Democrat)..... 404,115
Weaver (Populist)..... 14,852
Bidwel (Prohibitionist)..... 26,012

With this exhibit the hilarity ceased. The Republican party in Ohio, on the popular vote, is in a minority of 41,936. The Populists are certainly for Bryan; the Prohibitionists, in view of the split in their own party, will give Bryan a large support, and Mr. Bryan will get a large following of free-silver Republicans. With this showing, was Mr. Henry George so very much of a lunatic? The Baltimore Sun (gold) published a long letter yesterday from its correspondent in Ohio. The correspondent telegraphs from Columbus, Oct. 13th, this:

Four years ago at this time the Republican managers in Ohio claimed the State for Harrison by as big a majority as they are now casting up for McKinley. When the votes were counted one of the Harrison Electors was defeated.

If the Democrats had been on the alert they could have bagged the whole lot, for the party was comparatively united and harmonious in 1892. Ohio has not voted for a Democratic President since before the war, although it has in intervening years quite often flopped over to the Democrats, and no State has been more remarkable for astonishing and unexpected political somersaults. To these facts must due to some extent the amazing confidence I find here among the Bryan managers. They claim that the party was never so united as it is now, not even 1892, for their estimate of the extent of defection of gold Democrats puts the number at only 15,000, and this, it is insisted, is an exceedingly generous estimate. Fifteen thousand votes in a poll of close on to 900,000 is not likely to exert much influence, especially as, according to the calculations of the Bryan managers, at least half of it will be thrown away on Palmer and Buckner.

The correspondent, who is the well known "F. A. R.," adds:

Two of the most prominent men in the Republican party in Ohio have not shown the interest in the cause that was naturally to be expected of them. Senator John Sherman and Senator-elect Foraker have lent but little of their powerful influence to their political friends and neighbors. Mr. Sherman made a very few speeches at the beginning of the campaign, but for a long time he has pleaded indisposition, and not opened his mouth. Mr. Foraker has been in other States making speeches, but has not cared to say much in his own State. At Repub-

lican headquarters it was announced to-day that both of these gentlemen had at last consented to bear a fair share of the labors of the campaign from now until the election, and there was much rejoicing in consequence. It is, of course, an open secret that neither one of them, down in his heart, has any use for McKinley. They are also quite well aware that, if Mr. McKinley gets into the White House, Mark Hanna will run where and matters in Ohio and everything else, and no counsel will be asked of them.

In Ohio in November the Prohibition vote will cut some figure, as between Bryan and McKinley, for a large part of it, in view of their own party split, may not go for either of their own two candidates. Sam Small, who has been making a through canvass of Illinois for Bryan, returned to Chicago Monday. He thinks that Bryan will get four fifths (20,000) of the Prohibition votes in that State. If that proportion of it is thrown for Bryan in Ohio the result will be made still more certain. Mr. Small is enthusiastic in his belief that Bryan will carry Illinois. He says that the coercion that was begun in that State by the railroads with their "railroad sound money clubs" has died out, and now you scarcely hear of one meeting. The farmers in that State cannot be gotten to listen to a tariff discussion, and are overwhelmingly for free coinage and Bryan.

The situation in Ohio is no better for McKinley than that in Illinois, and both show that there has been no stay of the free-silver tide, and that it is now too late to stem it.—Richmond Dispatch.

A CONVERT TO BIMETALLISM.

Several weeks ago a special commission was delegated by the Trade and Labor Assembly of Chicago to visit Mexico for the purpose of making a study of the money question as presented in the experience of our sister republic.

The commission was composed of Messrs. P. J. Maas and Patrick Enright, both men of strong sense and keen faculties of observation. As a result of the visit to Mexico one of these commissioners, Mr. P. J. Maas, has returned home a zealous advocate of free coinage, and intends to mount the stump in defense of that principle.

Says the commissioner in speaking of his Mexican observations:

When I started for Mexico I was apathetic on the money question. I had not made up my mind as to what would be the best policy for the United States. My trip has removed every doubt held by me and I am now an ardent free silverite. If the United States would adopt free silver it would injure the trade of England and other European gold countries. Talk about protection to American workingmen! There never was a better plan advanced than the free coinage of silver. It would encourage home manufactures, as their product would be purchased by the people of the United States in preference to those of England or her countries.

The United States and Mexico are not to be compared from a labor standpoint. The natives of Mexico are a lazy, shiftless lot, but if they had the energy of the workingmen of this country their chances for bettering their condition would be increased a thousand fold by the fact that Mexico is a free silver country.

Such testimony as the foregoing from a man who was wholly unbiased on the money question at the time of his visit to Mexico is worth thousands of votes to the Democratic ticket in the approaching election.

If in addition to free coinage, Mexico was blessed with such a climate as this country enjoys it would be one of the most prosperous nations on the globe.—Atlanta Constitution.

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Unanswered Question

There are two questions which have been standing ever since the campaign began, and which remain unanswered.

What prospect of alleviation of the distresses of the farm is held out to them in case the country shall be afflicted by four years more of the gold standard?

What is to give prosperity to the farm? What is to stop its running behind, as it has been doing for years? What is to keep the sheriff away? How are the taxes, the fertilizer bills the interest, to be paid? What single hope held out to the farmer that he will be better off in the next four years than he has been in the past four? What will he do with the grain that he now has in his barns unsold, because he cannot get what it cost raise it? Is there any legislation promised that may give him relief? None. The only thing before him is to go on the next four years as he has the past—the same downward course, worse off next year than he was this, and further behind in 1898 than he was 1897.

When times are worse next year he will be given to understand that it is because the country is still engaged in the patriotic work of setting down on a solid (gold) financial basis. If he protests against it, he will be told he is an Anarchist, just what he is being told this year.

Another unanswered question is, What is to become of the wage earners if the country has four years of McKinleyism? What is to be done for the thousands of unemployed workmen and clerks now in the country in the next four years, and what for the other thousands that will be added to their ranks? Will the closed factories and workshops be opened? No, for those who have consumed their products have no money. Would protection help it? No, for the people have not the money to buy goods made either at home or abroad. The unemployed will grow in number. In the next four years, under the gold standard, more railroad men will join them, more clerks will join them, more skilled workmen will join them; men now in good places, with good wages, comfortably satisfied about their future, and advocating the gold standard as a good thing, will join them. For the gold god devours its worshippers along with the rest. What is there under the gold standard in the next four years to give working people, employed or unemployed, a ray of hope of bettering their condition?

Have not the farmers and the workmen of this country suffered enough and borne enough in order to double the value of gold? Will those who are behind all this powerful and cruel financial machinery, which had little until they have nothing, never be satisfied? Is there to be no end to it?

We may be devoutly thankful that there is a hope outside of McKinleyism. We may be thankful that there is one great political party that does give hope, and that, when asked, answers frankly what it intends to do and hopes to accomplish by doing, with the Democratic party there is no evasion. It intends to give the people relief in their financial system, and in more things than that. It will give them an administration that, compared with the Harrison and Cleveland administrations, will be "as a new heaven and a new earth."—Dispatch.

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THE CANDIDATE.

This is the man
Who for office ran;
And these were his methods—
His campaigning plan
Rose at six
With all his tricks;
And went into the race like bricks?
Before the clock
Had chimed for ten
Had paid the tax
Of twenty men;
Had sent their children
Off to school,
And raised a mortgage
From a mule;
Had gone to court
With smiling face,
And quickly won
A voter's case;
Had planked five shining
Dollars down,
To help 'em build
A church in town.
Had warded off
A sheriff's sale.
And paid a poor man
Out of jail;
Relieved six widows'
Destitution
And made a campaign
Contribution;
And still they never
Heard him groan
When fifteen fellows
Asked a loan.
He took no notes—
Expressed no doubt
But freely shelled his money out;
This was the man
Who for office ran,
And that was his
Campaigning plan;
He lost the office—
For all his giving,
And now splits rails
For a doubtful living!

A Trifling Faw.
The amateur humorist was chuckling to himself as he entered the office of the great editor.

"I've got such a good joke," he said.

"Yes?" returned the great editor inquiringly, for he had learned by experience that humorists have to be humored like Kings and Emperors and geniuses and other people who are sensitive and quick tempered.

"Oh, yes, indeed," answered the amateur humorist. "It's a very timely joke too."

"Yes?" said the great editor in the same kindly inquiring tone.

"Oh, yes; it's about cycles and bicycles you know."

In his earnest and kindly way the editor caught him by the throat to restrain him, and then suggested:

"That would be first class if 'bicycle' were pronounced that way. If the time ever comes that it is you can come around and explain the joke to me; or, if you prefer, you might get up a joke about sickles and bicycles, and submit that. Or—"

But the humorist had decided not to wait.

We pledge Buck Kitchin to divide time with Reverend Tommy Dixon in a joint political canvass in North Carolina, on silver and gold. Kitchin will meet him bloody hands to a hospitable grave, and immolate him upon the sacred soil of nativity that he has so grossly maligned. He had better leave his long locks behind him. Buck can give a rattle snake first bite through a rail fence, but he will show no quarter and give no advantage to an ingrate son of the State who has dishonored his plain old mother. Oh, for a lash of scorpions to whip the ingrate naked through the world!—E City Economist.

There are some Republicans in this county who claim to be respectable, who are going to good honest Democrats and Populists and telling them, with an intention of deceiving them, "that if they will vote for McKinley they will guarantee to such Democrats and Populists a position in the Revenue service."—Lincoln Courier.

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THE EFFECT OF BRYAN'S ELECTION.

Mr. Bryan's election will demonstrate that the enhancement of money will stop. Its holders can no longer afford to hold it. They will hasten to invest it in real estate and other property, which are now unduly depreciated, and in business enterprises. Thus, long before March 4 next, money will pour out from its hiding places to seek investments, and begin to fertilize everything by its flow. To a slight extent this has already been done by long-headed capitalists who foresee Bryan's election, and to it we owe a slight improvement. Mr. Bryan has also helped some by scaring capitalists into putting several millions in circulation through Mark Hanna.

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HANNA'S ASSESSMENTS.

The New York Journal of yesterday makes public the fact that the Republican National Committee has decided to assess the financial institutions of New England and vicinity one-eighth of 1 per cent. on their capital stock as a campaign fund to be used in the critical States of Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, and Michigan, and that ex-Governor Bulkeley, of Connecticut, has been assigned the duty of collecting the assessment in his State. Already the ex-Governor has met with many refusals. The Journal adds that in New Jersey nine national banks have voted, through their directors, to pay their assessment, despite the protests of the Democratic directors. This is the most audacious step yet taken by the National Committee, and in well in keeping with a party one of whose brilliant lights says if the election goes Democratic, "We will abide the results of the election." Nothing could better illustrate the character of the fight now being made against the people than this bold effort to buy their country over their heads and frustrate the popular will. Nor do we think anything could more clearly show the desperation of the Republican situation in the States they are trying to buy with this dishonest fund.—Richmond Dispatch.

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