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SILVER CAUSE WANES.

Washington correspondent to the Chicago Post: From the moment the mineowners and their financial backers made confession among themselves that to put this "country into the free and unlimited" coinage of silver independent of other nations would ruin instead of boom the bullion market the free-silver movement has been crawling along broken-legged and broken-backed. Not 10 per cent of the men who were shrieking for free silver two months ago know what flattened the poor thing out, but they see the results and they are despairing.

The soul was taken from the body before the Memphis silver meeting, but it took the Cleveland republican club convention to demonstrate that fact fully and clearly. And then came the fall down in Kentucky, and there are still countless numbers who do not yet comprehend the play behind the scenes or understand its meaning. Yet it is clear enough.

In the first place, the mineowners and their big moneyed friends and bullion merchants furnished the inspiration for the free silver movement. Their motive, which was strictly commercial, was the creation of a higher market for their goods. They believed for a long time that the way to bring that happy condition about would be to have the United States set up in the business of coining not only all the silver that could be produced at home, but also all the surplus production of all other countries and all that might be offered from the piled up hoards of fifty centuries. The scheme looked beautiful. But being practical men and endowed with good sense they are long made up their minds that they were advocating a policy that would inevitably injure instead of benefit them. They discovered that there were insuperable physical obstacles in the way of this country's coining all the silver that might be laid down at the mints if the doors were thrown open and the invitation held out to the world to "bring on your silver." Mintage facilities to cope with such a situation could not be provided in ten years, and meantime bullion would pile up mountain high, with the dead weight resting on the pit of the treasury stomach.

Leaving all abstract questions of finance out of the case entirely, they could not escape the conclusion that the accumulation of any large unavailable surplus of silver would smash that market just as the piling up of an unavailable surplus of wheat, cotton or any other commodity would smash prices in its own field. That conclusion reached, the abandonment of the suicidal demand to run this government into the free and unlimited silver-coinage business without the co-operation and support of other nations was resolved upon, and the more sensible plan agreed to of concentrating efforts for the holding of another international monetary conference. Beyond any question, a move will be made very soon after the meeting of the fifty-fourth congress next winter to secure the adoption of a resolution formally inviting the European nations to join with the United States in the further consideration of a world standard for silver money and its more extended coinage. That is the programme determined upon by the producing and bullion-owning combination as far back as early May, and it has not been modified. This great interest wants to broaden the silver market and establish it on a permanently firm basis. It is no wish to put silver bullion on a par with copper by making the United States the dumping grounds for all the surplus silver of all the world, and end the whole miserable business in a great, grand fiscal calamity.

The hard times of the past two years has resulted in a movement from the overcrowded cities to the farm. Especially is this exodus noticeable from the great manufacturing centers where work has been hard to find and where poverty and even starvation has faced thousands of men and women. A prominent railroad man in Minnesota says that the movement from the cities to the lands of the northwest is daily increasing in volume, and his opportunities for knowing this are so good that this statement is not to be doubted. For a number of years the tendency has been from the country to the cities. This is due to a mistaken idea that life in the great centers of population is easier and gayer than in the country. Thousands have realized that this is a mistake, for the country affords no such widespread poverty as is to be found in the large cities. While farm life may not be largely profitable it at least furnishes a living and gives an independence to the laborer which is to be found in but few channels in the cities. It is to be hoped that the movement from city to farm will continue, at least until the congested condition of the manufacturing centers is relieved.—LaGrange News.

Chicago now claims a population, by a census just taken, of 1,650,000. Unless Brooklyn and New York and their respective suburbs shall be merged into one city, Chicago will stand, within five years, as the most populous city in the country. It must become such in the end, for it has room to grow. Our children will see the day when its population will equal that of London.

WEATHER CROP BULLETIN.

The northern counties have been the least favored again during the past week. With the exception of the scattered thundershowers of Sunday they were without rain. The state, as a whole, however, had a very favorable week, with temperature about normal, except in north counties on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, when the heat was excessive. Crops are generally improved and corn, especially, is doing finely. Many fields are in tassel and some few show the silk. Damage by chinch bugs has been much less, owing to the destruction of them caused by heavy rains of the first of last week, and also to deaths due to disease. Oat harvest and haying are being completed, with oats proving slightly better than anticipated, especially in central and northern counties. Wheat and rye threshing continues from the south, with previous light estimates confirmed. Pastures and gardens are improving in southern and central counties, but in northern are still very poor. Fruit is still doing well with large harvest promised. Early varieties are plentiful on the market now.

NORTHERN SECTION.
Scattered showers Sunday afternoon and evening, light in east and heavy in west portions constituted the rainfall of the past week. Temperatures were generally high on Friday, Saturday and Sunday and added to the drought condition. Corn, however, continues to grow rapidly and early planted fields are in tassel. Oats harvest is well along, with a better yield than anticipated owing to favorable weather the first of July. Rye and wheat are being threshed. Potatoes and gardens are growing slowly and are needing rain. Haying is practically done, with very light crop. Pastures continue bare and brown except on the more favored farms touched by the passing showers, water scarce, wells low.

SUPERVISORS' PROCEEDINGS.

Proceedings of the Board of Supervisors of DuPage county, at a regular meeting held at the court house, in the city of Wheaton, on Monday, the eighth day of July, A. D. 1895.

All members were present.

The reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

All bills and communications on file were read and referred to the proper committees.

On motion of Supervisor Hammer-schmidt the affidavit of C. H. Hudson in regard to his assessment was laid over until the next meeting of the board.

The bids for services of county physician were opened and on motion of Supervisor Bette the bid of H. W. Vanderhoff, for \$140, for services as county physician from July 11, 1895, to July 10, 1896, in-

cluding medicines, was accepted and he was declared appointed.

On motion of Supervisor Hammer-schmidt the clerk was directed to issue an order for \$150 in favor of J. W. Vaughn & Son to apply on their contract for sewer at the poor farm.

On motion of Supervisor Bender the following report of the committee on fees and salaries was adopted:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors:
Your committee on fees and salaries would beg leave to report that they have examined all claims presented to them and recommend the payment of the following and that the clerk be directed to issue orders on the county treasurer to the claimants, for the several amounts allowed, as follows, to-wit:

C H Hoy, attending county and circuit courts, receiving and discharging prisoners, etc.	\$ 28 00
C S Owen, professional services	150 00
M S Ellsworth, attending county court, board supervisors, recording proceedings	35 00
G F Heldemann, holding inquest on body of B F Sheely	6 07
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All of which is respectfully submitted.	
Geo. A. Fisher, Fred Anderman, John Christie. } Com.	

On motion of Supervisor Hammer-schmidt the following report of the committee on claims was adopted:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors:
Your committee on claims would beg leave to report that they have examined all claims presented to them and recommend the payment of the following, and that the clerk be directed to issue orders to the claimants for the several amounts allowed, as follows, to-wit:

A J Christie, 8 days attending court	\$ 24 00
Nichols & Miller, superintending building	6 00
M S Ellsworth, express, postage and telephone	14 00
J M Vaughn & Son, plumbing at poor farm	6 63
Geo Estenfelder, supplies for prisoners	7 50
Robert Barrett, laying tile	55 96
C H Hoy, clothing and board for prisoners	128 73
N E Matter, for printing as per bill	27 00
Ill. School of Agricultural and Manual Training for Boys, for board	71 80
Callaghan & Co, Ill. reports Vol 56	3 50
J M Vaughn, building cess pool	30 00
C A Proutt, surveying on poor farm	6 00
All of which is respectfully submitted.	
C. B. Blodgett, Thomas Betts, John E. Bender. } Com.	

On motion of Supervisor Blodgett the report of the finance committee was laid over until the next meeting of the board.

Upon motion of Supervisor Blodgett the following resolution was adopted and the clerk was directed to send a copy to each member of the legislature from the 14th senatorial district.

Whereas, the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, at its last session passed an act in relation to the assessment of Mutual, Building, Loan and Homestead associations, and

Whereas, the said law is incomplete in its provisions inasmuch as it does not provide that the secretary of said associations shall furnish a correct list of the stockholders, their residence, the number of shares of stock held and the number of the series that the stock is in and the value thereof.

Therefore Resolved, that this board petition the legislature, now in session, to amend the law so that the assessors will be better able to comply with the spirit of the law.

On motion of Supervisor Hammer-schmidt the clerk was directed to issue orders to the several assessors for their mileage and per diem while meeting with the board of supervisors.

On motion of Supervisor Barnard the board adjourned.

M. S. ELLSWORTH, Clerk.

MASTER'S SALE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
COUNTY OF DUPAGE, } ss.
In the Circuit Court of said County.
J. Warren Rogers, vs.
H. M. Taylor, A. R. Heckman,
The Interstate Building and Loan Association.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of two decrees of said court entered in the above entitled cause on the 27th day of September, A. D. 1894, and the 24th day of June, A. D. 1895, respectively:

I, Howard H. Goodrich, Master in Chancery of the Circuit Court of said county, will on Saturday, the 27th day of July, A. D. 1895, at the hour of 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon of said day at the north door of the court house in the city of Wheaton in said county and state, sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash certain premises described in said first mentioned decrees and as follows to-wit: Lot No. 19, and the north 12 & 1/2 feet off lot No. 18, in Block 3, in Straube's addition to the village of Downers Grove, being a subdivision of part of Lot 4, of the Assessed Subdivision of Sections 7 & 8, Township 88, North Range 11, East of the 3rd Principal Meridian, together with the improvements thereon, situated in the county of DuPage and State of Illinois, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said decrees and costs.

Dated this 1st day of July, A. D. 1895.

HOWARD H. GOODRICH,
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