



The subject of the above portrait is a prominent and much respected citizen, Mr. Robert Manson, of West Rye, N. H. Where Mr. Manson is known as "his word is as good as his bond." In a recent letter to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Chief Consulting Physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., Mr. Manson says:

"Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the best pills I ever took for the liver. All my friends say they do them the most good."

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A Thaw.  
The farmhouse fire is dull and black.  
The trailing smoke rolls white and low  
Along the fields till by the wood  
It banks and floats unshaken, slow:  
The scattering sounds seem near and loud,  
The rising sun is clear and white,  
And in the air a mystery stirs  
Of wintry hosts in onward flight.

Anon the south wind breathes across  
The frozen earth its bonds to break,  
Till at the call of life returned  
It softly stirs but half awake.  
The cattle clatter in their stalls,  
The house-dog barks, he knows not why,  
The cock crows by the stable door,  
The snow birds, sombre-hued, go by.

The busy housewife on the snow  
To bleach lays out her linen store,  
And scolds because with careless feet  
The children track the spotless floor.  
With nightfall comes the slow warm rain,  
The purl of waters fills the air,  
And save where loit the gleaming drifts  
The fields lie sullen, black, and bare.

—P. McArthur, in Harper's Weekly.

"SOCIETY" means you-and-I-ety, with the other fellow looking on.—Young Men's Era.

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## TELLER ON SILVER.

False Promises That Have Disappeared—England Laughing at Our Calamity.

Pending debate on the Bland seigniorage bill in the senate Senator Teller, of Colorado, spoke in advocacy of free coinage in part as follows:

"We were told when the Sherman repeal bill was before the senate: 'Just let this go; let silver fall, and when silver falls and things get bad, then everybody will come to your relief. Great Britain will be there and we will be there, and we will all do the best we can. We will put things in such a condition that your later state will be very much better than your first.' We have got to the condition in which they wanted us to get. We have got where silver cannot longer be mined with profit in one mine in one hundred, where every intelligent mining man knows now that he is standing in front and close by the complete extinction of silver mining on this continent. I predict here that in six months from this time, if silver continues to fall, and I believe it will, not a silver mine on the American continent will be worked and I predict then that when Great Britain is appealed to she will not come to our relief."

To the remark of Senator Peffer that England would laugh at our calamity Senator Teller replied:

"As the senator from Kansas says, she will laugh at our calamity. She prefers to buy wheat at 70 cents in Liverpool rather than to pay \$1.40. She prefers that her dollars shall bring great amounts of our produce and not a little; and she is not coming to our relief, and those who believe she will know little of English character and English greed. We have reached the condition where we may now determine for ourselves what we are to do. We have practically abandoned silver as money. We have it in circulation, but we insist upon treating it as subordinate to gold and putting all prices upon the gold standard and the gold standard alone. I have heard for fifteen years in this chamber that if we would only let silver get low enough we would have all the world ock of the silver question. It seems to me when silver struck 55 cents it had got low enough, yet I do not hear of any rush of anybody to our relief, neither at home nor abroad."

"All the promises of future silver legislation that were held up to us when the Sherman repealing bill was before this body have disappeared. They have not materialized, and they will not. There will be for a long time to come, as there are now, distress, want and crime, the result of this legislation. No tariff legislation that you can enact will save us from the baleful blight that you put upon the country by the monetary system now in force. No tariff that has been enacted if left in force will save the country from the baleful blight and curse that was put upon us by that legislation, and put upon the country in the interest of a few men only; put upon the country in the interest of a small percentage of the men, and they the least worthy of all men, because they are not the producers of wealth; they are the men who through inheritance or fortunate operations have become the possessors of money and the representatives of money in this country. That has been the interest that has dominated and controlled the financial legislation of this country for many years."

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If two men who are mortal enemies meet in society, they ignore each other; if two female enemies meet, they kiss each other. —Flegende Blatter.

MISS DONTLY—"I suppose you generally travel by rail, don't you?" Mr. Pootlight—"Yes; the walking is usually better on the track than any other place."—Inter Ocean.

"BRONSON is an awful glutton." "He is making up for lost time. He nearly starved to death while he was a clerk."—Harper's Bazar.

REBUKE—"Hold," roared the tragedian, as the audience laughed heartily at his death scene, "do you suppose I'm doing this for fun?"—Truth.

UNLESS you can keep on good terms with yourself, you are likely to keep bad company most of the time.—Ram's Horn.

NOR MAD.—He tore his hair and plucked out his beard. Presently he paused. "Sea-foam?" he queried.—Truth.

The strawberry box makes a very pleasant impression even though we know how very shallow it is.—Inter Ocean.

More Light as to What the Seigniorage Really Is—A Scrap of Coinage History.

We have been asked to explain what "seigniorage" really is and what amount of silver bullion now in the vaults of the treasury the Bland bill proposes to coin. The discussion of the seigniorage bill which has been going on for months is well calculated to confuse and bewilder the public. Seigniorage is nothing more nor less than the charge made at the government mint for the work it performs in transforming the bullion that is brought to it into coin of the legal weight and fineness. Originally seigniorage was charged only to the extent of the actual cost of the work of the mints. While that was the case, and it is the case with our gold coinage today, the value of the bullion in a particular coin always equalled the value of the coin itself minus only the cost of minting it. Where, however, the government has an exclusive monopoly of the coinage of the country it becomes able to charge more as seigniorage than the cost of transforming the bullion into coin and thus to deprive a profit from the operation of its mint. While it would be profitable, for example, for outsiders to coin silver dollars of the requisite weight and fineness, they are forbidden, under penalties of counterfeiting, from doing so. It is because the government assumes the monopoly of coinage and limits the output of its mints that it is able to secure large profits from the seigniorage and to maintain the coins issued at their face value.

The Bland law of 1878 provided for the purchase and coinage by the United States treasury of not less than \$2,000,000 nor more than \$4,000,000 in silver per month. Of this money a great deal was later stored in the treasury and put into circulation by means of the silver certificate, which is merely a certificate of the deposit of a certain number of silver dollars in the treasury, payable upon its presentation. For every silver certificate that is in circulation there are actually coined silver dollars in the treasury to redeem it. The Bland law was repealed and superseded by the Sherman law in 1890, which put an end to the coinage of silver dollars. Instead of purchasing and coining silver sufficient to make at least \$2,000,000 monthly, the secretary of the treasury was now directed to purchase 4,500,000 ounces of silver monthly and to pay for it with new silver treasury notes at the current market prices. The new treasury notes do not represent any specific amount of coin or bullion in the treasury, but are payable at the option of the secretary of the treasury in either gold or silver coin of the United States, while the whole amount of bullion

bought is held as security for the whole amount of treasury notes issued. But the same law of 1890 proclaims it to be the established policy of the government to maintain the parity of value of all the money issued by its authority, and, in order to carry out this policy, the secretary of the treasury has taken it to be his duty to redeem the treasury notes in gold if the holder so demands, since, otherwise, gold coin, being the more difficult to obtain, would immediately jump to a premium. Under the Bland law there were coined \$346,000,000 and under the Sherman law, previous to its repeal, there were purchased 168,000,000 ounces in silver, in exchange for which treasury notes to the amount of \$156,000,000 were issued.

If the bullion purchased under the Sherman law had been coined and put into circulation, either as coin or by means of silver certificates, instead of being held against treasury notes to the extent of the purchase price, the government would have issued some \$55,000,000 more money than it has issued. This \$55,000,000 would have represented the profit on buying bullion at the market price and paying it out after coinage at the legal ratio of 16 to 1 as compared with gold. The seigniorage to which the new Bland bill then refers is only an estimated seigniorage, or profit, upon work that has not yet been performed. Mr. Bland's proposition was to coin this \$55,000,000 representing the government's profit, first, because the treasury is in need of money to tide over its deficit. This would leave in the treasury, bullion which, if coined into standard silver dollars, would equal in face value the treasury notes outstanding. If Mr. Bland had his way he would then coin the remainder of this bullion and call in the treasury notes, replacing them with the coined dollars either as coin or in the form of silver certificates. Were this process completed, we would in time have eliminated the treasury note from our supply of money. The result would be to have all the silver purchased under both the Bland law of 1878 and the Sherman law of 1890 represented in circulation by coin or its equivalent, the silver certificate. The country would then be in the same position as it would if the Sherman law had provided for the purchase and also the coinage of 4,500,000 ounces of silver monthly while it was in force. This was what Mr. Bland hopes to attain.—Omaha Bee.

Intrinsic Value Nephthistry.  
Gluten is an intrinsic property which attaches to starch, but there is no intrinsic value in gold or in silver. Just now they each have a commercial value, but those values would be changed in twenty-four hours by a little legislation. A year ago to-day the gold dollar had a value which was equal to five pecks of wheat. To-day it has a value which is equal to eight pecks of wheat. The intrinsic properties of the wheat were the same a year ago to-day as they are to-day. A bushel would make just as many pounds of flour out of which could be made just as many biscuits, and no more can be made to-day. But the relative value between the two has changed. The wheat itself has not changed; the gold dollar itself has not changed. All their intrinsic properties are just the same, but they have drawn apart, and there has been no overproduction of wheat. Hence we take it that the change has come solely from the fact that the uses for gold have increased, hence its price has increased.—Salt Lake Tribune.

Looks Hopeful.

There is much encouragement for bimetalists in the views recently expressed by Senator Allison, of Iowa, upon the new bimetallic movement in Germany. Mr. Allison is one of the ablest and best of our public men. He is a bimetalist in fact and was one of the members of the late Brussels monetary conference. There is further encouragement in the more recent news that the German empire is preparing for an additional coinage of silver. The bimetallic sentiment is also growing in England. Mr. Balfour's agitation is helping it, and Lord Rosebery, the new prime minister, is believed to be much less hostile to silver than Mr. Gladstone has proved himself to be.—Charlotte (N. C.) Observer.

Good Bimetallists in All Parties.

There are good bimetalists in all parties, and on this question we must unite. We cannot force a voter, who honestly advocates and votes for silver, into any particular party, no matter where he lives. Bimetallism is more likely to lose than gain by doing that. I am of those who believe the reinstatement of silver to be the paramount issue in American politics. But I cannot afford to drive from the support of bimetalism the man who believes in it, although not willing to take the radical steps that to me appear to be plainly my duty, because he does consider the question as vital to national prosperity—even human freedom—as I do.—Congressman Sweet.

No Argument Against Bimetallism.

The panic may have resulted from the fear of a change in the money standard, but that is not the logical conclusion of arguments against bimetalism. It is generally urged that the use of silver as a standard which would result in inflation which produces an opposite result from that of a panic. If inflation is anticipated prices of staples would rise, while the panic caused a remarkable decrease in the value of everything except gold. Panics are always the result of too little currency. It is the fear of the gold standard which produced the panic.—Topeka Press.

It Will Rise Again.

They told you that they had destroyed silver, they told you they had laid the free coinage of silver away in a sepulcher newly made. But, my friends, there never was a tomb so strong that it could imprison a righteous cause, for if bimetalism is right, as I believe it is, silver will yet lay aside its shroud; it will rise, and with its rise and reign will bless mankind.—Congressman Bryan.

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Hogs.....	5 25 @ 5 30
FLAX—Waterbury Patents.....	3 30 @ 3 35
Minnesota Patents.....	3 50 @ 4 00
WHEAT—No. 2 red.....	60 1/2 @ 60 3/4
Ungraded Red.....	59 1/2 @ 59 3/4
CORN—No. 2.....	43 1/2 @ 43 3/4
Ungraded Mixed.....	44 1/2 @ 45
OATS—Track Mixed Western.....	37 1/2 @ 38
Western.....	38 @ 38 1/2
PORK—Mess, New.....	13 75 @ 14 00
LARD—Western.....	7 80 @ 7 85
BUTTER—Creamery.....	17 @ 17 1/2
Western Dairy.....	11 @ 11 1/2
CHICAGO.	
BEEVES—Shipping Steers.....	13 20 @ 4 35
Cows.....	1 70 @ 3 35
Stockers and Feeders.....	3 20 @ 3 35
Butchers' Steers.....	3 10 @ 3 35
HOGS.....	4 90 @ 5 40
SHEEP.....	2 75 @ 5 40
BUTTER—Creamery.....	11 @ 23
Dairy.....	15 @ 21
EGGS—Fresh.....	9 1/2 @ 10 1/4
BROOM CORN.	
Western (per ton).....	20 00 @ 25 00
Western Dwarf.....	50 00 @ 70 00
Illinois Good to Choice.....	45 00 @ 70 00
POTATOES (per bu.).....	50 @ 75
PORK—Mess.....	12 50 @ 12 60
LARD—Steam.....	7 50 @ 7 60
FLOUR—Spring Patents.....	3 30 @ 3 40
Spring Straights.....	3 20 @ 3 30
Winter Patents.....	2 80 @ 3 15
Winter Straights.....	2 60 @ 2 70
GRAIN—Wheat, Cash.....	61 1/2 @ 61 3/4
Corn, No. 2.....	38 1/2 @ 39 1/4
Oats, No. 2.....	31 1/4 @ 31 3/4
Rye, No. 2.....	50 @ 50 1/2
Barley, Good to Choice.....	51 @ 58
LUMBER.	
Siding.....	16 00 @ 23 50
Flooring.....	30 00 @ 37 00
Common Boards.....	14 50 @ 14 60
Fencing.....	13 00 @ 15 00
Lath, Dry.....	2 40 @ 2 50
Shingles.....	2 00 @ 3 15
KANSAS CITY.	
CATTLE—Shipping Steers.....	85 00 @ 4 25
Stockers and Feeders.....	2 40 @ 3 35
HOGS.....	4 70 @ 4 80 1/2
SHEEP.....	2 50 @ 3 05
OMAHA.	
CATTLE—Steers.....	83 25 @ 4 25
Feeders.....	2 60 @ 3 80
HOGS.....	4 80 @ 4 85
SHEEP.....	2 70 @ 4 80

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