

GETTING READY.

A Southern Paper Clearing Its Decks for Action on the Silver Question.

We had occasion the other day to comment on an article on the silver question which appeared in the columns of a contemporary, and to draw certain logical deductions from the position it took that the value of gold and silver could be brought and kept at a parity by an international arrangement for the free coinage of both metals at a fixed ratio. Our purpose was not to enter into a full and elaborate discussion of the silver question, but to reach, if possible, an understanding with our contemporary as to certain principles of monetary science in order that we might simplify any future discussion by a process of elimination. We pointed out in that article that any one who favors international bimetallism must necessarily admit, first, the insufficiency of the present volume of money and the present source of supply, and, second, the power of law in opening the world's mints to the free coinage of both metals to regulate and control the value. If the first proposition be not true, then international bimetallism would be worse than useless, for it would dangerously inflate the currency. If the second proposition be not true, then international bimetallism is impossible. We further said that on our contemporary's own showing, it was proposing purely by the force of legislation to add to the value of silver and the profits of the silver miner, and was, therefore, estopped from urging this objection in future as against those who favor bimetallism by a different route. We hope we may now take it for granted that we and our contemporary are agreed that the world's supply of money is insufficient to meet the demands of commerce to the extent of the whole volume that would be added by the universal free coinage of silver; for it is inconceivable that any would be willing to add this amount if it were not needed. We trust we may also take it for granted that we agree as to the potency of the demand for money, for media of exchange, independent of all other demands, in controlling the value of a money metal. If this were not true, international bimetallism would be wholly ineffective in bringing the two metals to a parity, for it would not increase the commercial or commodity use of silver in the slightest degree. Our contemporary says that if this government can put its stamp on a piece of metal and make it worth 60 cents more than it was before, all metal should be abandoned, and we should proceed to stamp and issue paper according to a scientific determination of the needs of the people. Whenever our contemporary is ready with its "scientific determination," we shall be ready to discuss that question; but in the meanwhile we must call its attention to the fact that the same answer is pertinent to the scheme of international bimetallism. This scheme necessarily supposes an increase in the value of silver by the fiat of government; and if any number of governments, by mere fiat, can give value to a metal, why may they not abandon metal altogether and proceed to the stamping of paper? And if a number of governments can, by mutual legislation, thus add to the value of a metal, why may not one government add to the value of that metal to the extent that by its single action it may subject it to the influence of the demand for more money?—Memphis Commercial.

INTERNATIONAL BIMETALLISM.

It Is Worse Than Folly to Expect England to Surrender Her Grasp Upon the Throats of Other Nations—She Realizes the Benefit to Her of the Gold Standard.

The question of international bimetallism presents some peculiarly interesting features. It is a question on which a good deal of light may be shed by those who have hid their gold-bug principles behind it. It is not by any means a new question. It has been considered and discussed from all possible points of view. Nevertheless, at this moment and by the light of current events, it assumes an entirely new aspect. It becomes interesting by reason of the mystery that is thrown around it. We, therefore, appeal to the financial tories who are making much of international bimetallism to give the people a clear idea of the scheme.

About what time are we to expect relief from that source? Every interest in the country is in a crippled condition and growing worse and worse. It is absolutely essential, then, if the European Shylocks are to dictate our financial laws and fix our currency system to suit themselves, to know when the event is to occur.

But this is not all. There is another question that is still more important. In the nature of things, it may happen that England will not agree to surrender the advantages she now has—that her ruling class will not consent to forego the golden profits that are now flowing into their pockets. What then? The American tories say that there is no possible way to restore silver as a part of our money standard except by international agreement. Are we to conclude that if England fails to recede from a position which she has firmly held for years, or refuses to change conditions that she has been striving for half a century to bring about, we are to accept these conditions and suffer the attendant and inevitable losses, merely because the financial tories have assumed that the United States cannot open their mints to the free coinage of silver?

England's first official reply to the petitions of the bimetallists, since the administration at Washington adopted its present financial policy, is a contemptuous one. The question has been kicked out of court. The house of commons refused to discuss it. There is no longer any concealment in the matter. There is no longer any reason why England should have any concealment in the matter. There is no longer any reason why British interests should pretend to be anxious to increase the use of silver as a money metal or to restore its money functions. Having made tremendous sacrifices of its own

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We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Cataract that cannot be cured by Hall's Cataract Cure.
F. J. CHENEY & Co., Prop., Toledo, O.
We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.
West & Trux, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.; Walbridge, Kinnan & Marvin, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.
Hall's Cataract Cure is taken internally, acting directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free. Hall's Family Pillls, Mo.

There was nothing slow about the fellow who had a pile of sand for sale and put a placard over it reading: "For Sale, Dirt Cheap."—Boston Courier.

Round Trip to the South for One Fare.
Homeseekers, tourists and investors are advised that excursion Tickets are authorized to be sold from Ohio river points and may be sold from points North thereof on June 5th, July 5th, August 7th, Sept. 4th, Oct. 2nd, Nov. 6th, and Dec. 4th, good to return twenty days from date of sale, to points on the Nashville, Chattanooga, & St. Louis Railway in Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia and to points beyond in Florida and Carolina. This is the time to investigate and examine for yourself. For rates and descriptive matter apply to Briard F. Hill, 194 W. 4th St., Cincinnati, O., D. J. Mullany, 59 W. 4th St., Chicago, Ill., C. Cowardin, Western Pass, Agt. 120 La-Claude Building, St. Louis, Mo.

TOURIST EXCURSION TICKETS
At reduced rates are now on sale, via The North-Western, to St. Paul, Minneapolis, Duluth, Des Moines, Dakota, Hot Springs, Denver, Colorado Springs, Manitou, Salt Lake City, Yellowstone National Park and all the lake and mountain resorts of the West and Northwest. For rates and full information apply to agents of connecting lines. Illustrated pamphlets, giving full particulars, will be mailed free upon application to W. A. THRELL, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Chicago & North-Western Ry., Chicago.

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You can obtain a pack of best quality playing cards by sending fifteen cents in postage to P. S. Eustis, Gen'l Pass. Agent, C. B. & Q. R. R., Chicago, Ill.

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A farm renter or a farm owner? It rests with you to decide. Stay where you are and you will be a renter for your life. Move to Nebraska where good land is cheap and cheap land is good and you can easily find an owner. Write to J. Francis, G. P. & T. A., Burlington Route, Omaha, Neb., for a descriptive pamphlet. It's free and a postal will bring it to you.

TEACHER—"You are the laziest boy I ever saw. How do you expect to earn a living when you grow up?" Lazy Boy (yawning)—"Dunno. Guess I'll teach school."

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When it takes a long lease of the stomach and is caused by any described as the most sensational series of ghost stories. Unlike this latter kind, they are real and not imaginary. Heartburn, wind on the stomach, heart palpitation, extreme nervousness are only a few of them. Dispossess this unclean tenant with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which banishes also malaria, constipation and biliousness.

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