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Monon Time Table No. 28, in Effect Sept. 13.

NORTH BOUND. SOUTH BOUND.
No. 4. 7:30 a. m. No. 23. 10:25 a. m.
No. 5. 7:31 a. m. No. 24. 1:35 p. m.
No. 22. 9:55 a. m. No. 25. 6:03 p. m.
No. 6. 8:30 p. m. No. 26. 11:20 p. m.
No. 30. 6:19 p. m. No. 45. 2:40 p. m.
No. 74. 7:40 p. m.
No. 46. 9:30 a. m.

No. 74 carries passengers between Monon and Lowell.

No. 30 makes no stops between Rensselaer and Englewood.

No. 23 makes no stops between Rensselaer and Elizabethtown.

Train No. 5 has a through coach for Indianapolis and Cincinnati, via Roachdale; arrives Indianapolis 2:40 p. m.; Cincinnati, 6 p. m. No. 6 has a through coach returning from Cincinnati 9:30 a. m.; leaves Indianapolis 11:30 a. m.; arrives Rensselaer 3:30 p. m. daily. Tickets can be purchased at regular rates via this new route.

W. H. BEAM, Agent.

CHURCHES

FIRST BAPTIST. Preaching every two weeks, at 10:45 a. m. and 7 p. m.; Sunday school, 9:30; B. Y. P. U. 6 p. m. day; prayer meeting 7 p. m.; C. E. Volvia pastor.

CHRISTIAN. Corner Van Rensselaer and Susan. Preaching, 10:45 and 8:00; Sunday school, 9:30; J. P. S. C. 2:30; P. S. C. E. 6:30; Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.; Ladies Aid Society meets every Wednesday afternoon, by appointment.

PEPSYTERIAN. Corner Cullen and Angelus. Preaching, 10:45 and 7:30; Sunday School, 9:30; Junior Endeavorers, 2:30 p. m.; Y. P. S. C. 6:30; Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.; Ladies Industrial Society meets every Wednesday afternoon. The Missionary Society, monthly.

METHODIST E. Preaching at 10:45 and 7: Sunday school 9:30; Epworth League, Sunday 6; Tuesday 7; Junior League, 2:30 alternate Sundays. Prayer meeting Thursday at 7. Dr. R. D. Utter, pastor.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY every Wednesday afternoon by appointment.

CHURCH OF GOD. Corner Harrison and Eliza. Preaching, 10:45 and 8:00; Sunday school, 9:30; Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.; Rev. F. L. Austin, pastor.

Ladies Society meets every Wednesday afternoon, by appointment.

CHRISTIAN-BARKLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST. Preaching every alternate Lord's Day Morning, Sunday School 10:00; Preaching 11:00. Evening, Y. P. S. C. E. 7:30; Preaching, 8:00. Rev. R. S. Morgan, Pastor.

LODGES

MASONIC. AMELIE LODGE, No. 128, A. M. and A. M. meets first and third Monday of each month. C. G. Spitzer, W. M. W. J. Innes, Secy.

EVENING STAR CHAPTER. No. 141, O. E. S. meets first and Third Wednesday's of each month. Nellie Hopkins, W. M. Maud E. Spitzer, Secy.

CATHOLIC ORDER FORESTERS. Willard Court, No. 418, meets every first and third Sunday of the month at 2 p. m. E. P. Honan, Secy. Frank Maloy, Chief Ranger.

ODD FELLOWS. IROQUOIS LODGE, No. 149, I. O. O. F. meets every Thursday, W. E. Overton, N. G. S. C. Irwin, Secy.

RENSSELAER ENCAMPMENT. No. 201, I. O. O. F. meets second and fourth Fridays of each month. T. J. Sayler, C. P.; John Vannier, Secy.

RENSSELAER REBECCA DEGREE LODGE. No. 346, meets first and third Fridays of each month. Mrs. Mattie Bowman, N. G. Miss Alice Irwin, Secy.

I. O. O. F. FORRESTERS. COURT JASPER, No. 1703, Independent Order of Foresters, meets second and fourth Mondays, Geo. Goff, C. D. H. C. R.; J. W. Horton, C. R.

Cheap Farm Loans. Call on Valentine Seib, Rensselaer, for the 'cheapest' farm loans offered in Jasper county. Large or small accounts.

Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps more generally needed when the languid exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malaria poison. Headache, indigestion, constipation, dizziness yield to Electric Bitters. 50 cents and \$1.00 per bottle at F. B. Meyer's drug store.

The Garden South.

The South is destined to be, and is rapidly becoming, the garden of the United States. Here life is easiest to live; the rigorous winters do not eat up the fruits of the toil of summer, nor are the summers so trying as many northern people have supposed. "I used to live only half the year" said a northern farmer recently settled in the south, "and I used to work all the time then. Now I work half the time and live all the year through."

Home seeker's excursion tickets will be sold over the Monon Route to nearly all points in the south at the rate of one first class fare (one way); tickets good returning on any Tuesday or Friday within 31 days from date of sale. Liberal stop-overs are allowed. These excursions start (and tickets are sold) August 17, 18 and 31; September 1, 14, 15; October 5, 6, 19 and 20. Call on W. H. Beam, agent of the Monon Route, for further information.

John R. McLean.

CONTINUING THE PANIC.

Gold Owners Are the Vultures of Business.

Squeezing the Life Blood Out of the People.

They Thrive on Financial Trouble.

General Prosperity Would Be Their Disaster.

The gold contractionists, who are squeezing the life blood out of the people, depressing trade and continuing the panic they commenced in 1893, are endeavoring to explain the hard times by saying that they are the result of a "want of confidence." This is refreshing impudence from a set of men who live upon the destruction of confidence and the wrecking of business enterprises. They are the men who watch the treasury gold reserve as buzzards watch dying mules on the road, and who fill the ear with croaking predictions that the national credit will suffer if it falls below \$100,000,000. They are the men who draw the gold out for export and then sell the gold back to the government at a premium to replenish the reserve. They are the men who dry down the bonds of the government so that they may buy them cheap.

They are the men who induce the treasury department to put \$100,000,000 of bonds on the market at one time in order to lower the price, when ordinary business prudence would dictate the sale of the bonds in small lots, if at all, and in advance of the necessity for them, and without any flourish of trumpets. They are the men who advocate the gold standard because they have money to sell and want to make it dear.

As money becomes dearer property becomes cheaper. With prices constantly falling capital is afraid to invest itself in enterprises. Farm products will not sell for the cost of production and transportation. Railroads become bankrupt for want of freight business. This frightens the foreign holder of railroad bonds, and he throws them into the American market for whatever they will bring. The greenbacks he receives are turned into gold at the treasury department and the gold is sent abroad. This makes more business for the bond buyers and the gold sellers.

The gold men have had their way now for many years. They repealed the Sherman act over three years ago expressly to restore confidence. They have advertised "the silver craze" as dead at frequent intervals ever since. They now declare that it is again dead. They say that McKinley's election is sure. He is going to carry all the states. Bryan is going to be snowed under. Gold is king. Gold is coming over here by the millions from Europe, apparently as an advertisement of the certainty of McKinley's election, but really for two other purposes. First, to render a new issue of bonds unnecessary during the campaign, and, second, for the money that can be made on gold coin by temporarily forcing it to a premium by the gold panic makers after the election.

With all these conditions what more is lacking? If all this will not restore confidence, what will? But one answer can be made. Confidence can never be universal under any system of finance or any administration of it so long as there are pirates on the ocean of business who can enrich themselves by frightening the timid. A very few men can make a great deal of noise. A false report of the existence of cholera in any country would send thousands of people out of it without an investigation.

The vultures of business life thrive only in the presence of financial sickness and death, just as the vultures of the air thrive only where dead and dying animals can be found. What does Pierpont Morgan want of confidence? It would ruin his business and the business of all others like him. It is not a want of confidence that causes the hard times. They are caused by the contraction of the volume of money, and the men who make the most out of them are confidence men to whom the general prosperity would be a crowning disaster. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

National Faith.

To hear the gold men talk of national faith is folly. Where was national faith when, in 1869, a coin bill was put through the house and senate and signed by the president, making the bonds issued prior to that date, principal and interest alike, payable in coin? The emergency of the war had passed. The exigency was over, and what reason was there to add to our great indebtedness by supplemental legislation? It is a thing accomplished, but I cite it showing that anything done with a view of adding to the burden of our debts is all right from a gold standpoint. What right, in all honesty, had we to add to the burden of a debt already incurred?

—John R. McLean.

Republican Rensselaer Rally.

The republican gold bugs have at last exhausted their resources and shown their desperation. Never in the history of Jasper county politics has the republican party been driven to such desperate straits. Horses and wagons drafted into service and filled with women and children to swell the crowd. Wagons covered with bunting and flags, brass bands and drum corps, horses and mules formed the great body of the delegations.—It is fortunate for the country that all the mules cannot vote.

The opinion of one who has had experience in estimating processions is that the number of voters in the Bryan procession Friday night outnumbered those in the McKinley procession Saturday. The display was a desperate effort to keep up the courage of the few remaining republicans till after the election.

The Friday night procession was composed of Jasper county voters, the McKinley procession on Saturday was made up of men imported from other parts of the state.

It is a notorious fact that free trains were run into Rensselaer from Medaryville, Monon, Francisville and other points which greatly augmented the crowd and added to the display, without which the Bryan display on Friday would have far excelled it.

DR. ARENDT TO MR. FREWEN.

Extract Bearing Upon Labor From a Letter by the Former to the Latter.

In answer to the query, "Do you think that free coinage will bring the dollar to 50 cents?" Dr. Arendt said:

"That is a statement so fantastic, and even wicked, that it must lose McKinley many votes. As a foot rule is 12 inches, so also is a dollar 100 cents. The terms are identical. What the phrase means is something quite different. It means that the purchasing power of the silver dollar after free coinage will fall by 50 per cent—in other words, that prices of commodities will double. Of course this is not true either. If the rise in silver is to involve any such rise in gold prices, then the converse must also be true—namely, that the fall in silver has brought about the present great fall in gold prices. In other words, that because of the fall in silver we are now using a 200 cent dollar—a dollar which buys twice as much as 20 years ago. But, as far as the workingman is concerned, it is to be remembered that his daily expenses are, to a high degree, constant. It is only wholesale prices which fluctuate violently.

"In the wholesale markets prices have fallen increasingly, and in these markets a rise would be the salvation of the producing classes. You will admit," said Dr. Arendt, "that all history shows the welfare of the working classes does not depend upon the price of bread, but upon the demand for their labor. If prices rise, of course the demand for labor increases. Falling prices are ever followed by a decline of industrial enterprises. From Russia, for example, the very home of low prices, laborers are now migrating to Germany, where prices are higher. Again, from the eastern provinces in Germany, where the cost of living is extremely low, the human stream flows westward, even though living in western Germany is dearer. The cost of living in the United States is far higher than in Italy; still the American workingman does not emigrate to Italy. On the contrary, it is the Italian who emigrates to the United States. There is something unreal and shadowy about this working class argument. Labor gets its tolerably regular percentage of all the wealth produced.

"If our wealth is produced in America, then, with free coinage, the working classes will get more of it. And free coinage—which will, of course, raise the price of silver, and thus raise the exchange rates with all Asia—will firmly establish many productive industries, the existence of which in America and their transference to Asia are seriously threatened by the present low price of silver. The especial money of the working classes is silver, and to prevaricate, to snaffle and to frame theories that this money should be kept 'de-standardized,' as today, in order to protect that class which receives its wages in silver—such theories are a disgrace to those who continue to employ them in the face of all the facts."

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WILD WITH SILVER ENTHUSIASM!

Three Monster Rallies Held in Jasper County This Week.

Rensselaer Bryan Forces Organize an Impromptu Parade Tuesday Night with 300 Torch Bearers.

THE REPUBLICANS PARALYZED

Remington Followed Wednesday Night with the Most Stupendous Demonstration ever Seen in Jasper County.

1,000 Torches, Four Bands, Glee Clubs, Floats, Etc., Made Up a Grand Procession Over a Mile Long.

BURKHART AND SMITH TALK AT RENSSELAER.

Silver's Grand Triumph at Rensselaer Friday Night Eclipses any Previous Attempt by Political Enthusiasts.

1,700 Torch Bearers Shout for Bryan and Free Silver While 5,000 Cheering People Crowd the Line of March.

The silver forces of Jasper county have closed the campaign with magnificent success, surprising themselves, astonishing the opposition, and glorifying the grand cause they represent.

This week has been one of wild enthusiasm in all parts of the country. With many speakers in the field there has been no instance of the failure of any meeting and everywhere the greatest enthusiasm was expressed.

The Bryan Silver Club of Rensselaer set the pace Tuesday night by welcoming the eloquent Tilghman E. Ballou with a torch light procession, organized with out advertisement or preparation that set the hills and prairies ablaze with free silver fire.

Over 100 silver voters went to Remington Wednesday night with torches and Bryan shouts, and joined in the splendid demonstration at that place. Be it said to the credit of the town of Remington that no indignity was offered the silver marchers and the utmost good feeling prevailed. Speeches were made at two halls besides a large overflow meeting in the street.

The success of the first attempt at a rally by the silver forces acted like magic on the people of the whole country. Farmers left their cornfields, business men their stores, professional men their offices, mechanics and laborers their work, to devote the week for their loved cause.

The Bryan Silver Club has held nightly meetings all the week, every inch of space packed to its utmost. The meetings have been for business. They have contributed from their own means every cent that the campaign has cost them. Never has greater patriotism been displayed by a body of earnest men and they have been loyally aided by their wives and daughters.

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The grand finale of the silver campaign in Jasper county occurred last night (Friday) and was successful beyond expectation, as it had not been contemplated before the Tuesday parade took place.

Any doubt that may have existed in the minds of the gold standard monopolists on political claims as to the existence of a silver party in Jasper county was beautifully dispelled. It has finally dawned on the masses of the republican party, what their leaders have known for weeks, that the county was hopelessly lost to McKinley.

The whole north woods and all the surrounding prairies sent in their patriotic hosts and the streets of Rensselaer resounded with their triumphant shouts for Bryan and free silver. The Bryan Free Silver Club had 1,000 torches ready, which were quickly placed in the hands of voters, not boys, and 500 more were needed for those who wanted to march in the procession. Delegations aggregating 700 torch bearers from Remington, Wheatfield, DeMotte, Fair Oaks, and the several townships of the county were present.

The speeches by Hon. A.