

Pittsburg got it — in the neck. CAMERON'S declination means a change in name only. You can count on DONALD when the ownership of his successor is questioned. Boston Democrats are the stuff. They snuffed the Republican lights clear out and even "doused the glim" in the secret chambers of the A. P. A. That Lock Haven girl, who has broken through the ice three times already this season, must be having sport at what we used to know as "tickley-bender."

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How It Would Work.

The President's message and the report of the comptroller of the currency both strongly recommend the retirement of the "greenbacks" and the substitution of national bank notes in their stead.

Both of these officials believe in a single gold standard or monometalism, as it is termed. They advocate the doctrine that the measure of value in this country should be gold alone; that all its money should be redeemable in gold which would make all debts, all contracts and all obligations payable in gold.

Because the government "greenbacks," which by the way are simply non-interest-bearing government obligations, and which after being redeemed in coin, are reusable again and again and can be used an indefinite number of times to drain the public treasury of its gold, they propose to do away with them entirely, and as a substitute for this currency, allow the issuance of that much more national bank money.

Just how this will stop the drainage of gold from the treasury is not made clear.

We may be particularly obtuse in such matters, but for the life of us we are unable to understand how, changing the character of the paper money of the country—if it is to be all made redeemable in gold, the government is either going to increase the amount of gold in the treasury or decrease the demand for it, either one of which conditions must be secured if present conditions are not to continue.

To-day, if an agent of some foreign banker wants to take a million of dollars of gold out of this country he simply gathers up a million dollars of our "greenbacks" and goes to the treasury and demands that amount of gold. It is paid to him, even if it has to be borrowed, notwithstanding the fact that these "greenbacks" are redeemable in "coin," which means either gold or silver. The million of dollars in gold then goes out of the country, and the million of dollars in "greenbacks" goes back into circulation, thus leaving the same amount of circulating medium in the country there was prior to the shipment of the gold.

On the other hand, if national bank notes are to be substituted for "greenbacks," and are to be redeemable in gold, they will be gathered up just as the "greenbacks" are, demand for redemption made, and when redeemed will be retired or destroyed thus contracting the currency or money in the country to just double the amount of every shipment of gold to Europe.

This policy, of course, would be popular with bankers and money lenders, because it would tend to make money scarce and interest rates high. But what of the people? Where, in the course of time, would the money or circulating medium, with which to do business be found?

It is an excellent plan, as we see it, to enable bankers and money lenders to contract the currency and run the rates of interest up to any figure their greed might demand, but would it not prove a woeful experiment to the public?

In our humble financial judgment a much simpler and more effective plan to stop the gold drainage of the treasury would be for those who are managing it to recognize the fact that "coin," in which "greenbacks" are made redeemable, means either gold or silver coin of the United States; means just what the government makes the citizens accept as a legal tender for a debt, either 16 ounces of silver bearing the stamp of the government as representing one dollar, or one ounce of gold, bearing the same stamp, as it may best suit those who have to pay. If the government, itself, would not, at the dictation of gold gamblers, discredit the money it puts out as "coin" and requires the people to accept as legal tender, and would redeem its "greenbacks" in such proportion of gold and silver dollars as it had in its vaults it would stop the demand for redemption very soon as well as the speculation in gold shipments that are constantly draining the treasury and threatening an untold issue of interest bearing bonds.

Do you read the WATCHMAN.

A Significant Democratic Victory.

Congratulations to JOSIAH QUINCY, mayor-elect of Boston! He is entitled to them. He is worthy of them. He deserves the best wishes of every Democrat in the land. There is no mugwumpery, political hypocrisy or half-way Democracy, about him. He is what he is and the voters of the "Hub" know him. They have elected him mayor because of his political manliness and through him have entrusted every department of the city government to the management of the Democrats. The board of aldermen is unanimously Democratic; the city council, in both branches, is overwhelmingly Democratic; the school board, for the first time in many years, is in the hands of the Democrats and the street department will not know a Republican in its reorganization.

All honor to the Democratic people of Boston!

Mr. QUINCY was for a short time acting assistant secretary of state at the beginning of the present administration. He sent Democrats abroad to represent the country and a Democratic administration and all mugwumpery and civil service reformers were horrified at the thought that Democrats should be chosen to fill positions from which the people believed they had voted to exclude Republicans. There were officials, higher than Mr. QUINCY about Washington, who joined hands with those who denounced his straightout and unadulterated Democracy. They believed the country was safe and the people satisfied if they were in office and a halt was called on doing what the Democratic people had voted should be done. Mr. QUINCY, as a consequence, resigned his position and went home, because he could not serve his party as he believed it deserved and demanded.

It seems that the people of Boston appreciated his manliness and approved of his kind of Democracy, and were not ashamed to say so by their votes. It is possible that if Washington had more JOSIAH QUINCYS than it has, there would have been more Democratic votes to count at recent elections. At least the overwhelming victory of a Democrat like Mr. QUINCY in Boston, is a matter for serious reflection on the part of those representing the party who have pursued policies that have not been approved by the people, and with which the Democratic masses seem determined to have nothing to do.

Foreshadowing Its Doom.

Until the municipal elections of last week, the government of nearly all the cities and large towns in Massachusetts had for the past few years been brought under the control of a secret and unseen influence. A hand was stretched out from the dark recesses of the A. P. A. that pulled the wires which controlled the elections in most of the municipalities in that State, and so great had this power become that the town council chambers may be said to have been transferred to the conclaves of this secret organization. As if municipal government was not sufficiently demoralized by the influences that are everywhere bringing it under the control of ringsters and jobbers, in these Massachusetts towns it had to be subjected to an additional debasement by the domination of a bigoted and proscriptive oath-bound society.

A change from this obnoxious situation appears to have set in at last week's municipal elections in which the A. P. A. sustained signal defeats in some of the Massachusetts towns at the hands of the Democrats and members of other parties, who are opposed to municipal government being mixed up with sectarian questions, and controlled by influences emanating from dark-lantern apartments. In Springfield the "underground" forces were thoroughly routed, and in Taunton the Democrats surprised themselves and the enemy by electing their mayor by a handsome majority. Similar successes were gained in other places, and these results indicate the inevitable doom of any organization whose basis is intolerance and proscriptive, and whose operations are conducted in the dark.

It is strange that it should have snowed so soon after the Boston election.

Shall It Be Clothing or Beer.

The deficiency of revenue arising from the present tariff will not be as great as was looked for some months ago. If the income tax had been allowed to stand there would be no deficiency at all. The shortage for the past six months has been about \$15,000,000, but for the past month but little over a million, showing that there is a gradual improvement of this tariff as a revenue producer as it gets more fully in operation. Secretary CARLISLE has every confidence that it will produce all the revenue needed when trade has once adjusted itself to the new fiscal regulations.

The revenue deficiency, which it most can be but temporary, is being seized upon by the Republican leaders in Congress as a reason for more tariff legislation. In their partisan opinion this deficiency must be supplied by increased tariff duties. Wool must be again taxed and a stiffer tariff reimposed upon the clothing of the people. Such tariff mongering is entirely unnecessary. The slight deficiency can be made up from some of the sources of internal revenue. An additional dollar on each barrel of beer will do it. But if they would rather tax clothing than beer, let them go ahead. The President would stop that proceeding with his veto, and they would be likely to hear something from the people about it.

Bad for the Jingoos.

The lower jaws of the jingoos must have dropped when they read that part of President's message relating to the Venezuela question. They had all along been representing that President CLEVELAND had surrendered the MONROE doctrine and had abandoned the Venezuelans to the ferocity of the British lion. They pictured ambassador BAYARD as crawling at the feet of SALISBURY and coining complimentary phrases to placate the English ministry.

If they have any shame their faces should tingle with the blushing evidence of it, when they see the energetic announcement of the President that he instructed ambassador BAYARD to notify Great Britain that the MONROE doctrine was an unalterable policy of this government; that its interdiction of any forcible acquisition of territory on this continent by any European power will be maintained; that any and all attempts of that nature will meet with a determined protest from this government, and that it insists that the whole controversy between Great Britain and the Republic of Venezuela, regarding the British Guiana boundary, be submitted to impartial arbitration.

These were the instructions that were given to our ambassador while the maligners of the administration were representing that CLEVELAND had backed out of a great American principle and BAYARD was eating humble pie before the British throne.

What miserable skunks these jingoos are, and how their misrepresentations of their government, manufactured for partisan effect, are knocked to pieces when the facts are disclosed.

Political Gall.

The Philadelphia Press, on Wednesday of last week, devoted almost a column of space to the exposition and denunciation of the failure of the Democratic city committee of Chicago to fully account for money received by it for campaign purposes during last year.

Considering that Chicago is a long way distant from Philadelphia; that ninety-nine one hundredths of the readers of the Press care about as much for the local squabbles of political heelers out there as they do for the councilmanic changes that occur in Sitka; that offenses fully as grave and dishonorable, as those it makes against Chicago Democrats, have been publicly charged, by its own people, against its own party organization in both Pennsylvania and the city of Philadelphia, without receiving a word of comment, explanation or denunciation from the Press, we must conclude that that journal vastly prefers to consider matters of this kind as very long range, rather than have a hand to hand tussle with them on its own doorstep.

Of course it is not to be supposed that the Press would overlook any scandal tending to tarnish the reputation of Democrats anywhere, or calculated to bring obloquy and discredit upon their organization; but we submit, in all sincerity, if it would not be fully as interesting to the readers of that paper, more to the point, and show a greater degree of consistency in its pretentious condemnation of wrong doing if, it would devote a little of its space to the explanation or denunciation of the same offense, committed by its friends here at home, that it so vehemently denounces in the Chicago Democratic committee.

Only last spring Congressman JACK ROBINSON, a member of the Republican state committee, charged openly and persistently that Republican state chairman GILKESON—the Press's candidate for re-election—failed or refused to account for our over hundred thousand dollars, raised from Republican office holders, and placed in his hands for campaign purposes in 1894. Less than a month ago the present chairman of the Republican state committee—the Hon. MATTHEW STANLEY QUAY, of whose standing in his own party the Press has reason to have full knowledge—gave the facts to the newspapers that of all the money raised by the Republican city committee of Philadelphia, for the recent State campaign—a sum aggregating over eighty thousand dollars, not a cent of it had been turned over to the state committee or used, as far as he could ascertain, for campaign purposes.

These charges are known to the Press. The facts connected with them are within its reach either to ascertain their truth or prove their falsity. They reflect upon its friends. They compromise, so far as public charges can compromise, the reputation of men for whose integrity and honor the Press has vouched time and again, and yet it has had neither the manliness nor honesty to attempt an explanation, on behalf of its factional adherents or its party organization, nor the courage to condemn the crime, that its own partisans have alleged was committed by them.

What supreme gall such a paper must have to attempt to hold up to public contempt Democrats away out in Chicago for exactly the same sin, the same shame and the same thievery that stands charged to its own partisans and friends at its own home, and this too, without a word of defense, explanation or condemnation from it?

Semite Persecution.

HERR AHLWARDT, a German anti-Semitic agitator, comes to this country on a most reprehensible mission. He makes his appearance among us as a professional Jew baiter, representing that narrow-minded and intolerant sentiment that has manifested itself in the proscription of the Jewish people in some parts of Europe, particularly in Russia and Germany, and which this misguided German apostle of persecution is foolish enough to believe may be introduced through his instrumentality in this land of equal rights and liberal sentiments.

It is not difficult to see how the ignorance, superstition, religious prejudices and intolerance, and general brutality of the dark ages, were conspiring influences that brought about the persecution of the Hebrew race, but that such a manifestation of an uncivilized condition of the human mind should be revived in the midst of the enlightenment and humanity of the nineteenth century, would be an amazing contradiction to the usual order of mental and moral progress.

This German persecutor of the Jews makes a mistake in coming to this country with his propagandism of religious intolerance and race prejudice. Our free institutions guarantee to all American citizens equal civil rights and entire religious liberty, and the sentiments of our people revolt at the idea of persecuting a race that has proved itself to be moral, industrious, enterprising, law abiding and patriotic. HERR AHLWARDT should meet with such a reception as would convince even so narrow minded a person as he is that his presence is not wanted in this country.

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Spawls from the Keystone.

DuBois is going to have a free mail delivery soon. A fall of rock in a Babylon mine fatally crushed Joseph Kloss. Williamsport's school board has killed the free library scheme there. A man named Sampson was cut in two by a railroad train at Carbondale. Police captured Donato Brongione one of the supposed bandits of Hazleton. Charles Unruh was appointed fourth-class postmaster at Wyndmoor, on Monday. A State commission was granted to Michael Durkin, of Wilkesbarre, as mine foreman. Alexander Morton, a Shamokin miner, has inherited \$10,000 from his grandfather in Scotland. There were six fatal and 11 non-fatal accidents in the Eighth anthracite district in November. Threats of alleged "white caps" induced Leonard Reed to move from his home at New Castle. A man supposed to be Peter J. Campbell, of Mt. Drille, was found dead in a street of New York city. The Duncannon board of trade has organized with a capital of \$7,000 for the purpose of starting a brass factory. While skating at Beaver Dale, Michael O'Connor fell through a hole in the ice and was nearly dead when rescued. Judge Woodward refused a new trial for Abraham Eckert, convicted of the murder of Fred Bittenbender, at Nanticoke. William Garrett, in Lebanon jail for assaulting a policeman, plotted an escape, but a fellow-prisoner gave the scheme away. Proposals are being made to erect the new depot at Williamsport, for which there are a number of bidders already on hand. The Conemaugh yard of the P. R. R. is a sight to see these days on account of the great amount of loaded freight and coal cars. Rascals chopped to pieces a flag pole 100 feet long, which United American Mechanics were to raise at Catawauqua next Saturday. A cow owned by John Burns, in Mexico, Juniata county, has given birth to a calf with two well shaped heads, each containing two eyes. The people of Falls Creek can say what few other towns can—they live in two congressional districts, and their town lies in two counties. At Ridgway Monday the jury in the embezzlement case of D. C. Oyster was discharged, having been out forty six hours and failed to agree. The total number of prisoners received at the Huntingdon reformatory up to Saturday, November 23, was 1,924. The number then there was 488. Rev. L. Caley, of Philadelphia, was elected president of the Pennsylvania State Council of the United Boys' Brigade, in convention at Pittsburg. The mines of the Cambria & Clearfield region are working as they have not done for years. Immense quantities of coal and coke pass through Creson daily. The Kulp Lumber Company, of which Congressman Kulp, of Shamokin, is at the head, purchased 150 acres of rich timber land from Greenough Scott, near Wilkesbarre. The state board of health decided at Harrisburg that hereafter graves in populous districts must be not less than six feet and in rural districts four feet in depth. These Bedford county people have died recently: Joseph Beegle, near Cessna, aged 62 years; Samuel Scott Shroyer, aged 43; Jeremiah Weicht, in West Providence township, aged 72. The Clarion Jacksonias is to be run during holiday week by the ladies of the Presbyterian church of that town, in the interest of the new Presbyterian church being built at that place. Ex-Sheriff James Myers, of Ebensburg, in going from his residence to the court house on Tuesday, slipped and fell, severely injuring one of his knees. He is compelled to use crutches in going about the house. Henry Shank, of Imletown, Bedford county, has been elected second lieutenant of Company I, National Guard of Pennsylvania, of Bedford, to succeed Lieutenant F. J. Deckerhoof, who resigned. Vice President Andrew Wall, of the Fidelity and Columbia Building Association, of Washington, D. C., and convicted of conspiracy to defraud, was sent to the Allegheny county work house for three months. Superintendent J. George Becht, of the Lycoming county schools, has published in pamphlet form a remarkably complete program of the Teachers' Institute, which will open at Nancy next Monday. The Pennsylvania railroad company are advertising for bids for the manufacturing of 2,000 freight cars. If the contract is awarded this month yet, it will run the number of cars made this year by this company up to 7,000. In the Thanksgiving Day hunt of the Ebensburg teams, Captain T. M. Richards' men bagged 105 rabbits, squirrels and pheasants to forty-five captured by Captain M. D. Bearer's men. The Bearer men had to pay for an oyster supper for the victorious hunters. George Richards, of Reade township, Cambria county, loaded up his wagon a few days ago intending to go to mill the next day. During the night sneak thieves came along and relieved him from the journey. They carried off two bags of grain, a far robe and whip. Spurgeon Williams, of the firm of Luther & Williams, blacksmiths in Ebensburg, has bought out the livery stable of Conrad Wentz, in Wilmore, and in a short time will move to that place and take charge of the business. Ebensburg, as a consequence, loses a good citizen and Wilmore gains one. Frederick O. Baker, railroad contractor, died at Fort Scott, Kan., on Wednesday, just after he received news through the press telegrams of the death of his brother, John A. Baker, at Bloomfield, Pa., who had been editor of the Perry county, (Pa.) Freeman for fifty-five years. F. O. Baker was a veteran of the Mexican war.