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The averments of the monometalists, that since all the civilized goods of the world have discarded silver as money, makes it obligatory upon us to follow suit, contains only half the truth, the Latin Union despite the action of Great Britain has held on to a fine legal tender, limited coinage. Hoping but now it seems in vain, for some action by the US in favor of the white metal there can be no doubt that if this country would go to the assistance of States composing the Latin Union that Britain would be forced to accept the action as final, & that a ^{universal} ratio of 15 1/2 to 1 would materially result. But it seems however that we are averted to other methods, of fining the power of gold to influence the action of our legislators in Washington, is so patent to every body, that no one will be surprised to hear that the Senate even by a good majority had concurred in the opinion ^{expressly} expressed by the House, that silver will be practically killed, I firmly believe, but it is an ice wind indeed that blows nobody good, a dark cloud here, that has not a silver lining. Just as every animal has some voice which may be utilized for its capture, so human nature has some weakness which may be utilized for the overthrow of the selfishly ambitious, Arrogance, haughtiness & an undue assumption of authority, will be the logical concomitants of the victory of the money lenders. This very weakness will result eventually in their downfall. Their very boasts will convince the proletariat that there is no real power but money. Hence the financial question, now subordinate to political parties, will be universally

paramount, I will be a sad experience for the -
money lenders to ~~be~~ discover to the masses the real
source of all power - wealth, & teach them that
truth, justice, honor & religion are all subordinated to
this one great question, When the masses have been
thus convinced, when their faith in God & man has
been thus shattered, they will no longer respect the
the property rights of their masters, & there will be in-
augurated a new element of danger in the problem
of gov. - Socialism & anarchy - Will the mob be able
to stand the shock. Let the French Revolution answer,
Eliminate all respect for law & order - & the mob
man becomes but a target for the missiles of an out-
raged community - If the worst comes to the worst we
shall surely witness a second French Revolution, but if
the money lenders do not carry their methods too far,
if they offer no more than a legitimate opposition to
the efforts of the masses to crush this inglorious system
of taxation by which plutocrats are enabled to fatten at
the expense of the workman, then the question may
be settled by the ballot, but at least it promises to
be a struggle more potent than any of which
history makes record - Socialism is every where on
the increase, the masses realize that in all govern-
ments, the laws are made for the benefit of the few,
& that the few only do grow enormously rich - Even
our late Emperor was no exception to the rule.

probably $\frac{3}{4}$ of those who bore the shock of fire & shell
did not own a slave, & bore willingly the weight of
the financial yoke - I look for a rapid disintegration
of the old political parties - Money, so the lenders of it
say is the only power, a war then between labor & cap-
ital is what the masses look for, a war to the death
though it be only with ballots, the masses will array
themselves against the increasing purchasing power of a
dollar, a few millions only will oppose them, the former
advocating peace, the latter gold, & to this question all others
will be subordinated -

The RR Question by Curtis Loanabee of Iowa is an exceedingly valuable addition to transportation literature,

the reader can scarcely reach any other conclusion than that

the author has given much time & thought to the subject, & that he has mastered it in all its tortuous ramifications. The book is a general repository of most valuable information. Its style dignified, polished & terse, I feel sure that the work is destined to aid materially in moulding public opinion touching these matters -