

# GOLD AND SILVER

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WHO FIRST LED ME TO STUDY THE SUBJECT  
THIS LITTLE BOOK ON BIMETALLISM  
IS GRATEFULLY DEDICATED

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## AN ELEMENTARY TREATISE ON BIMETALLISM

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*'Magna est veritas et praevallebit'*



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*Upon a throne of empire, side by side,  
A Queen of silver and a King of gold  
Together sat erewhile, as from of old,—  
A bridegroom by an immemorial bride;  
And all men deemed that nothing could betide  
To shake their equal sway, for fathers told  
Unto their children, as the ages rolled,  
That these like gods for ever must abide.  
But fools and impious in an evil hour  
Forswore their fealty to the Silver Queen  
Whose rule had ever kind and stable been,  
And to the King who waxed in sovereign power  
Alone their homage paid; and sore distress  
Fell on the people for their foolishness.*