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LEDGER OFFICE.

NEARLY DONE.

Progress of the Lowell Water | bonding purposes. and Light Company's

Interest in Long Distance a municipal plant. Transmission.

ACTIVITY OF THE VILLACE LICHTING

Committee. Expert Information on Cost.

INTERESTING EXPERIMENT.

by Lowell people:

The Lowell Water and Light Company has nearly completed the city, and in a short time will be ready be made here, and the eyes of the parties the same evening, and if pos-electrical world are expected to turn sible they will be apprehended. this way and watch closely the result An exchange is fair in its criticism of the experiment.

now in use by the company is 1,500 merchants. They help pay the taxes horse power. To obtain the full and are citizens among us. They are capacity of this paticular fall would require the expenditure of nearly \$200,000. The average price obtained \$200,000. The average price obtained as represented. per horse power is \$120 per annum, so that if the entire 1,500 horse power was used, the income on the investment would be \$170,000 annually, while the cost of generating the power would be nominal. The same company owns another waterfall on Mr. White's. We knew his heart Flat river, and both are within two miles of Lowell. The capacity of the second fall is 800 horse power, and whether this will be developed, or the safed to good and generous souls. full capacity of the first one, depends on the success attending, the present venture. Flat river is fed by nearly 100 lakes and the volume of water is not affected to any extent by dry or wet seasons, which makes it better adapted, it is claimed, to the use proposed, than any other river in the City.

"Our object," said a member of the company yesterday, "is to supply small concerns-those using from three to fifteen horse power. Such plants cannot afford an engine and by getting their power in this way, they pay for just exactly what they use. We have no doubt of the feasibility of the scheme; we know we can generate the power, and we know Osborn narrowly escaped a like fate it will follow the wires. There will be some loss of course, but it will not be very great. It is not our intention to make any cut in rates; we are going into this for business and propose to make a little money. We expect to be ready to make connections with Grand Rapids factories before the end of this year. No, we have not entered into any contracts with local parties yet; we will make none until we are ready for business."

THE LIGHTING PLANT.

The committee appointed by the common council at its last meeting to the Circuit court against her son, Alobtain estimates of the cost of a light- fred, alleging breach of contract. The ing plant at the site procured by the committee on options, has been actively engaged in its work this week. Experts in the various departments deed is asked to be annulled, of work and supplies have been in J. C. Roth and John Donahue were consultation with the committee, and in Grand Rapids Monday.

the members of the same are confident that the cost will not exceed the A Talk about limit made by the village charter for

If such proves to be the case, the tax-payers will have an opportunity of voting on the question of bonding the village for the purpose of building

If the final estimate of cost proves favorable, we believe the people can make no mistake in voting for a public plant.

VanBennett and Huckins, prohibi- What Shall They Be? tion orator and singer, are coming to Grand Rapids Tuesday, Dec. 3, and will hold a general rally in the Young Men's Christian association hall at The following article from the 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, and Monday issue of the Grand Rapids 7:30 in the evening. These gentle-Democrat will be read with interest men have spoken and sung in many of the states of the union and are noted temperance workers. Everybody is welcome.

Mail Carrier McDonald of Ionia, construction of its lines from its though in a dazed condition, told the electric plant on Flat river to this story of how he was slugged last week Tuesday evening. He said he was to switch on the power equal to that of 300 horses, providing the scheme and Washington streets, demanded proves feasible. The plant is one mile his key to the mail box, saying, "Give north of Lowell and about twenty-one us that key and we won't harm you."

Me refused and they slugged him miles from this city. Since the first use of electricity, as a motive power, it has never been demonstrated that the current can be conveyed and they slugged him from both sides. He went down and as he fell he cried for help, and his assailants ran away. When asked the current can be conveyed and retain its force so long a distance. thought it was an ax. He has given This pratical test, however, will soon characters who were seen by other

when it says that some people are so Along the winding course of Flat river are many heavy falls, which, if this attempt proves successful, will be utilized to generate power for distribution among other near-by cities. The full capacity of the fall now in use by the company is 1.500 when it says that some people are so auxious to avoid paying the home merchant a legitimate margin that they believe any fairy tale told them by slick tongued frauds who are entire strangers to them. Ninety-nine out of a hundred of these "soft snaps" offered by these fellows are swindles. The best plan is to patronize your home merchants. They help pay the tays

> Our good friend, Hon. A. S. White of Grand Rapids, was married at Charlotte. Nov. 21, to Elmina Cook Morman and departed for a trip through the South. The "At Home" cards bear date January 1, '96. We are rather surprised at this move of was as big as bushel basket but supposed he must be heart-whole. How ever, we congratulate him and his and wish them all the happiness vouch-

The three day's gathering of the Modern Woodman of Michigan closed at Grand Rapids Friday with the election of officers. The officers elected are as follows: President, D. C. Sharrow, Grand Rapids; vice president, W. O. Stewart, Grand Rapids; secretary, F. A. Bardeen, Otsego; treasurer, D. C. Feldt, Reed

An important \$20,000 damage suit has been taken up in the Circuit Court in Ionia, the case being that of Lucy L. Osborn vs. the Detroit Grand Haven & Milwaukee Railway Company. Some time ago Mrs Grover and Mrs. Osborn of Pewamo, Ionia county, were driven home from Ionia, and when crossing the Detroit Grand Haven & Milwaukee track near Muir they were struck by a train, and Mrs. Grover was killed, Mrs.

The case of Osborn vs. Detroit' Grand Haven & Milwaukee Railroad Company was on trial in the Circuit Court Wednesday. Judge Davis instructed the jury to give a verdict in favor of the defendant, the railroad company, on the grounds of contributory negligence. Mrs. Osborn and Mrs. Grove, two Pewamo ladies, were returning from Ionia one evening last June when they were struck by a train just east of Muir. Mrs. Grove was killed and the complainant, Mrs. Osborn, seriously injured.

Mary G. Tiffany of Cannon township has filed a bill of complaint in tarm was deeded to the son last Murch subject to good care for life, and with other provisions, which contract is alleged to have been broken, so the

CHRISTMAS CIFTS.

Merry Christmas is almost here again and that old, old "What shall I get for this one, that one and the other?" comes up for consideration once more. Presents must be made to Mothers, Fathers, Wives, Husbands, Children, Sweethearts and Dear Friends.

Some silly trinket? Some senseless toy, to be broken or destroyed and tossed and tossed away in an hour? Is there not too much good money wasted this way year after year? Are these the times to squander wealth on

It is pleasing to note the growing determination of good people everywhere to buy for their Holiday Remembrances something

Useful or Ornamental, or



Something that will last for years or a lifetime as a constant reminder of the donor's good sense?

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and can show you a list of names of men who say that they have worn them all of one winter some

of them two winters and that they were water proof at the end of the season. Thanking you for past favors and wishing a continuance of the same, we remain yours truly,

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We are unable to recall the name of the man Mr. Pingree defeated, but he certainly made a thorough job of the

The Atlanta exposition is now free of debt. It is wonderful the way the new south has waked up and proceeded to

The road to poverty is easy to find. but hard to travel. The road to riches is hard to find, but easy to travel if you know how to advertise yourself on the

It is said that a smile of cynical triumph spread over New York society on learning that the latest heiress to wed an Englishman married one who has

If the general government does not look sharp the municipal authorities along the lakes will have that treaty Potatoes with England abrogated before it has Brown Bread an opportunity to act.

It almost seems as if there must be Black Cake some power back of the Sultan when he | Confectionery decorates his murderers. It does not ppear credible that he himself would asten the Turkey carving.

The rottenness of the Turkish em pire from center to circumference is attested by every available authority except the sultan, and his opposing testi mony only tends to strengthen the conviction that the others are entirely

Some months ago a firm in Alabama telegraphed to a Chicago firm to buy 5,000 bushels of wheat for them. The belegram plainly read 50,000 bushels, and that is what the Chicago firm purchased. Before the error was noticed, bowever, the price in wheat dropped, was alive; but mother says we musn't Which do not wake to see and there was a loss of \$1,000 on the expect a turkey or a mince pie this How other eyes grow dim with tears, deal, which the Chicago firm had to year.' pay. It sued the telegraph company and planned it all out. You and I will Remind us, when a Father's grace

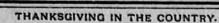
the result of which was as follows: An off my mind. ordinary wagon, with a new three-inch tire, was loaded with 4,480 pounds, the and here comes in the fun—these 'surdynamometer being used to measure prize pumpkins' will be such pumpkins.

Our hearts to thy soft voice, as you've never seen in all your life. For every impulse born of thee was 254 pounds; on a grass field it was You just come up to our barn to-night, Must make some heart rejoice, was 204 pounds; on a grass sent at 7 o'clock, and bring your pocketwas 771 pounds. The draft power of a
horse of 1,000 pounds is 150 pounds, and
therefore two horses could draw the

draw this amount of water. There are, bowever, periodical rises and falls in all the lakes which have never been acinted for. An old boatman on the St. Lawrence river says that these rises and falls of the river occur in periods of seven years, the water steadily rising neven years, and then falling as steadfly for the same length of tines. At present the St. Lawrence is at its lowest ebb. Next year it will begin to rise, and by 1902 it will be as high as it ever is.

The jury at Flint, Mich., that was obliged to remain out all night did not ropose to do it for nothing. They rested the sheriff to send in a bushel of red apples, a peck of oranges, a cask of cider, a few sandwiches, a box of chewing gum and a box of cigars. They evidently thought they would remain out for a week.

The rumor that Sarah Bernhardt will ome to America at once to study M. Anson's histrionic methods with a view o getting pointers for the improvemen of her own art is generally dishelieved.



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THANKSGIVING DINNER No. 1. Mock Turtle Sour Apple Jelly Celery Salad Carrots Turnips

White Bread Onions Pickles Mock Mince Pie Pumpkin Pie

SWEET CHARITY.

THE MAITLAND BOYS.

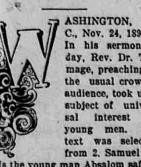
Tom Gray what a splendid Thanks- O Charity, dear messenger, giving they were going to have, and we need to have and And to our earth-born hearts the gift

and planned it all out. You and I will go up to 'Squire Fiske—father says he's got a big heart—and I shouldn't wonder, if we tell him how hard Widow Gray works to get along and keep the boys at school, if he'll give the turkey, and then the biggest thing of all will be to gray and lives of our lives off my mind.

Remind us, when a Father's grace Hath blessed with many a gift, That there are those whom we may help From sorrow's gloom to lift. Quicken our sympathy, our love, Our mercies let us share, and then the biggest thing of all will be considered.



HE PITFALLS POINTED OUT BY DR. TALMAGE.



he heart of David the father, was In the literary society, in the art salon, heart to act like that. That is not

THANKSGIVING DINNER No. 2

giving eve.

"I heard those Maitl and boys The Household.

Now, don't you think Joe Emery's ing with great speed, and the man on first saw the spires of the great city. He was a new and jolly "pumpkin lark?"—

The Household.

In the Household in the life do es and waits, and as soon as the mes- the banks to declare their dividends was the turning point in my history. senger from the field of battle comes within hailing distance, the father cries out. Is it a question in regard to the establishment of his throne? Does he say: "Have the armies of Israel been victorious? Am I to continue in my imperial authority? Have I overthrown

which I want to speak is a love of home. will be a mighty safeguard. There are those who have no idea of never were grander opportunities open-life of our best hours and experience is the pleasures that concentrate around that word "home." Perhaps your early abode was shadowed with vice or poverty. Harsh words, and petulance, and erry. Harsh words, and petulance, and erry. acowling may have destroyed all the for a great achievement. sanctity of that spot. Love, kindness. Another cafeguard is a respect for the most exalted and most radiant moand self-sacrifice, which have built the Sabbath. Tell me how a young man their altars in so many abodes, were spends his Sabbath, and I will tell you effort to preserve and perpetuate the strangers in your father's house. God what are his prompers in business, and glory of this occasional spiritual life, pity you, young man; you never had a I will tell you want are his prospects is to resist and quench the spirit. home. But a multitude in this audi- for the eternal world. God has thrust once can look back to a snot that they into our busy life a sacred day when can never forget. It may have been a we are to look after our souls. Is it | Electric lighting is to be applied to lowly roof, but you cannot think of it exorbitant, after giving six days to the art in Brussels. On the Anspach menow without f dash of emotion. You feeding and clothing of these perisha- morial St. Michael is represented on have seen nothing on earth that so ble bodies, that God should demand one horseback slaying the dragon. The stirred your soul. A stranger passing day for the feeding and clothing of the sword will be made to blaze like a along that place might see nothing re- immortal soul? markable about it; but oh! how much | There is another safeguard that I saint's eyes and in the insides of the t means to you. Fresco on palace wall want to present. I have saved it until dragon. oes not mean so much to you as those the last because I want it to be the

ter in full dress, does not mean as much | may discuss laws and literature, you to you as that swing gate, your sister | may have a pen of unequaled polish on one side of it, and you on the other; and power, you may have so much busshe gone fifteen years ago into glory. Iness tact that you can get the largest That scene coming back to you to-day, salary in a banking house, you may

as you swept backward and forward on be as sharp as Herod and as strong as he gate, singing the songs of your | Samson, and with as long locks as ood. But there are those here those which hung Absalom, and yet who have their second dwelling place. | you have no safety against temptation It is your adopted home. That also is Some of you look forward to life with sacred forever. There you established gre despondency. I know it. I see ASHINGTON, D. the first family altar. There your chil- it in jour faces from tme to time. You C., Nov. 24, 1895.— dren were born. In that room flapped say: "All the occupations and profes-in his sermon to-the wing of the death angel. Under that sions are full, and there's no chance for day. Rev. Dr. Tal- roof, when your work is done, you ex- me." Oh! young man, cheer up. I will mage, preaching to pect to lie down and die. There is tell you how you can make your forthe usual crowded only one word in all the language that tune. Seek first the kingdom of God audience, took up a can convey your idea of that place, and and his righteousness, and all other subject of univer- that word is "home." Now, let me say things will be added. I know you do sal interest to that I never knew a man who was faith- not want to be mean in this matter. young men. His ful to his early and adopted home who You will not drink the brimming cup text was selected was given over at the same time to of life, and then pour the dregs on from 2. Samuel 18: any gross form of wickedness. If you God's altar. To a generous Saviour you "Is the young man Absalom safe?" find more enjoyment in the club room, will not act like that; you have not the

apped up in his boy Absalom. He than you do in these unpretending manly. That is not honorable. That is was a splendid boy, judged by the rules home pleasures, you are on the road to not brave. Your great want is a new worldly criticism. From the crown ruln. Though you may be cut off from heart, and in the name of the Lord of his head to the sole of his foot there your early associates, and though you Jesus Christ I tell you so to-day, and was not a single blemish. The Bible may be separated from all your kinsays that he had such a juxuriant dred, young man, is there not a room solemnities of this hour to put the cup shock of hair that when once a year it somewhere that you can call your own? of life to your thirsty lips. Oh! thrust was shorn, what was cut off weighed over three pounds. But, notwithstand- class boarding house, into that room ing mercy, long-suffering mercy. De-Over three pounds. But, notwithstanding all his brilliancy of appearance, he was a bad boy, and broke his father's heart. He was plotting to get the throne of Israel. He had marshalled an army to overthrow his father's government. The day of battle had come. The special power of the many to overthrow his father's government. The day of battle had come. The special power in that threshold. Consecrate some spot in that room with the knee of ment. The day of battle had come. The special power in the memory of other days, not know it is the crisis. I got a letter a father's connection when the consecrate some spot in that room with the knee of ment. The day of battle had come. The special power in the power in the crisis. I got a letter in the consecrate some spot in that room that threshold. Consecrate some spot in that room the park in the properties and a harp. Hang your mother's portrait over the mantel. Bid unholy mirth stand back from that threshold. Consecrate some spot in that room there is power. The park is properties and a harp. Hang your mother's portrait over the mantel. Bid unholy mirth stand back from that threshold. Consecrate some spot in that room and a harp. Hang your mother's portrait over the mantel. Bid unholy mirth stand back from that threshold. Consecrate some spot in that room ing mercy, long-suffering mercy. Details a harp. Hang your mother's portrait over the mantel. Bid unholy mirth stand back from that threshold. Consecrate some spot in that room and a harp. Hang your mother's portrait over the mantel. Bid unholy mirth stand back from that threshold. Consecrate some spot in that room with the knee of a man's life, and the trouble is he does not a father than the properties and a harp. Hang your mother's portrait over the mantel hang your mo

the question, "Is the young man Absalom safe?" When it was told to David, the King, that, though his armies
sketch; it ' every-day life. I should

with their ox teams draw him logs,
and with their ox teams draw him logs,
and with their ox teams draw him logs,
should be a substitute of the said:
"Thirty years ago two young men
sketch; it ' every-day life. I should have been play which made. went up the stairs to his palace, his heart breaking as he went, wringing his hands sometimes, and then again pressing them against his temples as though he would press them in, crying:

"Oh! Absalom! my son! my son! my son!"

My friends, the question which David, the King, asked in regard to his son, is the question that resounds to-day in the castle, it ' every-day life. I should not wonder if there were a rotten beam in that palace, I should not wonder if the sicknesses, and pour into his cup a bitter draught that will thrill him with unbearable agony. I should not wonder if the man's children grew up to be to him a disgrace, and to make his life a shame. I should not wonder if that man died a dishonorable death, and were labeled into a dishonorable grave, and then went into the gnashing of teeth. They started out to attend Park Theater, New York, to see a play which made religion ridiculous and hypocritical. They had been brought up in Christian families. They started for the theater to see that vile play, and their early convictions came back upon them. They came to the door of the went. They came to the door of the shame. I should not wonder if that man died a dishonorable grave, and then went into the gnashing of teeth. They had been brought up in Christian families. They started for the theater to see that vile play, and their early convictions came back upon them. They came to the door of the went. They came to the door of the dishonorable grave, and then went into the gnashing of teeth. They had been brought up in Christian families. They started for they had been brought up in Christian families. They had been brought up in

was TI south. The durity power of a baser of 1500 growth in 150 powers, and therefore two horses could chave the country of th

rough-hewa rafters. Parks and bow-ers and trees on fashionable watering-place or country-seat do not mean so religion. Nothing can take the place hood shows itself. much to you an that brook that ran in of it. You may have gracefulness front of the plain farm house, and sing-ing under the weeping willows. The torfield, you may have foreign lan-you can push him an inch.

YOUNG MAN BEWARE! barred gateway swung open by por- guages dropping from your tongue, you

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Coffee

perial authority? Have I overthrown time for him to retire to the country, my enemies?" Oh! no. There is one amid the flocks and the herds, to culthe lip, and springs from his heart to the lip and springs from the lip into the ear of the besweated and bedusted messenger flying from the battlefield—the question, "Is the young man Absalom safe."

When it was all the deemstic virtues.

Now the young men who were his schoolmates in boyhood will come, and with their ox teams draw him logs, and with their ox teams draw him logs, and with their hard hands will have the said.

sword of fire, lights will be put in the

Hear Bargang over in your boat, if her haggang over in your boat in the captal hard of her haggang over in her haggang over in your boat in th

the letter, but he grasped clearly the nail.

enough that Camilla was lost to him to aim that which preceded and properly much what happened followed it.

That's pretty much what happened followed it.

Over and over again he thought himself to consider ways ry and the man before me failed them

"There's a uniform and a few with an affable grin. man. "There's a uniform and a few things in it his lordship thought you might want, as you wouldn't have time to go back to town."

"His lordship? Whom do you "all sorts," answered the captain, "and more than that. There's English Jacks and French Johnnies, and a couor five miles away to starboard the mean?"



accordingly for of his race. starting in good
time on the followof Europe, and passed on southward in-

ashore for the day, and half the crebeing away in search of water. hear," said Dick, "that you've passengers for us. Who are they!" "Madame Schultz and M. Frochard," replied the captain. "They're Swiss colonists for Ascension-brother and sister; and there's a Spanish seaman, named Gildez, who's working out his passage to the Cape."

'I'm disappointed to hear that," said Dick. "I had hoped for one or two llow-countrymes, to talk to. We're deadly dull on the brig." ship already on her way. The captain was waiting for him on deck; a gray, wrinkled man with a short grizzled beard, and a somewhat slouching air about him, Dick thought.

"There go your passengers," said the captain to Dick. "They said good-by to me before leaving this morning, and I ought to have reported myself last night, but they told me you were busy, and I was too tired to wait. My name all is Estcourt, captain of her majesty's as soon as it is loaded."

It the ships one of them left the rest whatever, and gentlemen not before 9 and selected for the Speedwell.

"There go your passengers," said the captain to Dick. "They said good-by to me before leaving this morning, and now all that remains is for you to take their baggage over in your boat, if you'll be so good."

"Certainly," replied Dick; "I'm ready as soon as it is loaded."

"There go your passengers," said the captain to Dick. "They said good-by to me before leaving this morning, and that before he was buried a long needle should be run through his heart. He had taken the precaution to tell his doctor of his wish, and it was carried but.

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If the Baby is Cutting Tech. Besure and well-tried remedy, wha

and means at once, and his eye fell upon the valise, which the messenger was
still holding in his hand.

To his surprise he recognized it as his
own.

The strip of the point of rememorance, but he never quite reached it, and in a short time the bland, soothing tones overcame him like a spell, and he fell into a dreamless sleep.

When he awoke next morning the point of rememorance, but he never quite reached it, and in a short time the bland, soothing tones overcame him like a spell, and he fell into a dreamless sleep.

When he awoke next morning the point of rememorance, but he never quite reached it, and in a short time the bland, soothing tones overcame him like a spell, and he fell into a dreamless sleep. "Where did you get this?" he asked. crew to carry his majesty's stores, let mysterious noises of the night harmony of the night harmony of the night harmony. "There's a uniform and a few with an affable grin.

mean?"
"It was Lord Glamorgan, sir, that gave me the letter."
"Ah that explains it," exclaimed Dick. "But how did Lord Glamorgan or you know, but it's the rummest crew to be working a navy ship."
"The brig herself looks to be fast and sir; and they sent me to you house, sir; and they sent me on to No. 23 Bedford square."
"You sir, they said you'd gone off after."
"Oh, she's well enough," replied the san to prophesy to himself about the sam to prophesy to starboard the Hamilton was winging her way to the westward, the courses of the two the westward, the course of t

ing morning. He to the region of the islands. The ordi-

ing morning. He also tried once more to find out from the driver of the wag-on where the De Montauts' baggage was to be delivered; but the man. though assured that Dick himself had no longer the time to follow him, stoutly refused to give any further answer, and by daybreak next morning he had disappeared, wagon and all, without giving any one a clue to his destination.'

The sun was setting as Dick left Helston for the last stage of his journey. When he came in sight of Mount's bay

To the region of the islands. The ordinary route to the cape lies outside these groups, the Azores being the only stopping point on the voyage for most English vessels. Estcourt, seeing that the brig stood in to the east and took a more direct line, concluded at once that she was to touch at Madeira or the Canary Isles.

"No," said the captain, when he hazarded this conject.": "I wish we could put into Funchal or Santa Cruz, they're both pleasant places, when you've a day or two to spare; but my orders are to sail straight for Boavista in the neighborhood; but, as I have not the means of providing a good feed I have resolved to die. In order that my friends might not be whelly losers, when he came in sight of Mount's bay

The sun was setting as Dick left Helston for the last stage of his journey. When he came in sight of Mount's bay there was but one golden bar left in the western sky. Gradually this too faded, and a gray, misty twilight began to creep over the bay. St. Michael's Mount loomed in sight, weird as the enchanted castles of fairyland. In the highest turret glimmered a single light, making the mist more drear and the allence yet more desolate.

The opposite shore was wrapped in the start between twinkled here and there tiny restless sparks that Dick knew for the lanterns of the ships at anchor. One of them doubtless was the fate that he must follow. Will-o'-the-wisp or guiding-star, there it gleamed among the rest, with the dim, shivering night around and the fathomless sea beneath.

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Her captain had been ashore that afternoon, looking out far a passenger who had been expected by the coach an hour before.

Dick engaged a boat and ordered support at once, by 10 o'dock he was along the brig, and half as hour later.

But along in gatting a boat lowered and row should know bet come out ahead at the end of the season, and the bookmakers during the racing season in this country. Of course, some of it comes back to the bettors, but, as few who bet come out ahead at the end of the season, and the bookmakers constantly complain that they are losing money, it would be its bettors, but, as few who bet comes out ahead at the end of the season, and the bookmakers constantly complain that they are losing money, it would be its bettors, but as few who bet comes out ahead at the end of the season, and the book makers constantly complain that they are losing money, it would be its between the brig, and half as hour later.

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shall indeed be free! THE protection that the The sad news was received from Grand LEDGER believes in begins at Rapids last Wednesday, of the death of at home; and does not consist Fred Bush, who was a brother of Mrs. Chad. at home; and does not consist in blowing about the "pauper labor in Europe" while one is buying his printing, his clothes, his shoes, furniture and groceries in any town other than the one in which he receives his patronage and makes his home and perhaps holds office. We largely along the state of Keene, Mrs. C. Merriman of Belding and Mrs. A. Silvernail of Grand Rapids. This makes two deaths in the same family within three months of typhoid fever. We extend to the family our heart-felt sympathy.

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article to the Free Press, in Mrs M. C. Denny visited her brother. the course of which he says:

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Ben Sage, Tuesday.

Cara Colvin is home from Belding this week. was received through unofficial reports and newspaper accounts of threatened hostilities on the part of the Nez Perce Indians in Idaho.

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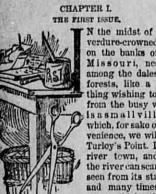
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Central American and South American countries have been particular offenders in this regard, t(hough other countries and colonies have not been far behind. In the case of some Central day in pain and sufficient when backs are lame, when almost every other one we meet have now and then, or all the time, a back that makes their life a mispenia and sufficient when backs are lame, when almost every other one we meet have aches or pains—"a weak back," "a back that makes their life a mispenia and sufficient when backs are lame, when backs are lame, and sufficient when almost every other one we meet have back, "a back that aches or pains—"a weak back," "a back that makes their life a misper lame, and sufficient when almost every other one we meet have back, "a back that aches or pains—"a weak back," "a back that makes their life a misper lame, and sufficient when lames and sufficient when almost every other one we meet have back," "a back that aches or pains—"a weak back," "a back that makes their life a misper lame, and sufficient when almost every other one we meet have back aches or pains—"a weak back," "a back that aches or pains—"a weak back," "a back that aches or pains—"a weak back," "a back that makes their life a misper lame, and sufficient when almost every other one we meet have back, "a back that makes their life a misper lame, and sufficient when almost every other one we meet have back and the life and the lame, and the lame, and the lame are lame, and the lame almost every other one we meet have back and the lame almost every other one we meet have back and the lame almost every other one we meet have back and the lame almost every other one we meet have back and the lame almost every other one we meet have back and the

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A General Banking Business Transacted Money Loaned on Real Estate Security

Mrs. Eliza Clark left, Monday, to visit her son Loren, in Pennsylvania. She left in company with A. Bancroft and wife, who are making a trip through New York state, visiting Buffalo, Rochester and Utica. At but his sister Grace is now very sick the latter place lives their daughter

Miss Kate Edmonds severs her connection with the Lowell post office this week and leaves next week for Detroit, where she will take a course in the Business university.

Miss Katie McMahon closed her fall term of school in the Mapes district last Friday, after a very success-

A new thing-those 5A fit-all attachment blankets at Schreiner's.

Read the township treasurer's notice about taxes this week. Four per cent added after January 9.

Mrs. C. M. Merriman, now of Belding, was in town last Friday on her way to Saranac to attend the funeral of her brother, the late Fred Bush, whose death we noticed last week.

Mrs. M. made this office a brief call. She says that they appreciate the LED-GER more than ever since they moved.

C. G. Stone and son, Allie, are spending Thanksgiving with his son, Henry, at Lake View.

The party given by the Vergennes dancing club on the evening of the 21st was a very pleasant affair and the re-organization of the club for the season of '95-'96 was completed.

The best thing u case of a storm is one of Coons' Frieze ulsters. B. E. Quick is able to attend to business after a brief illness.

Read the opening chapters of "Allen Gray" in this issue of the LEDGER and then hand the paper to your neighbor and ask him to try the paper three months for 25 cents. If every subscriber would get us one additional subscriber, the LEDGER would monds, resigned ve a rerry Christmas. Will you

John Cutler was in Saranac last

The Stanley overshirts are made full sizes and excellent qualities; prices \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00 for sale by A. L. Coons.

Jap Waterman, of the Commercial house, Saranae, was in town one day

A first-class concert company held forth at Music hall Monday evening. The brass quintet attracted much attention with their street music. Manager Johnson is giving the peo-ple some good attractions.

Work is progressing favorably at the power plant of the Water & Light company, in spite of the stormy weather.

II. Nash calls your attention to his Galloway robes, coats and mittens. These are warranted to keep you comfortable in one of those elegant cutters that Harmon is selling so cheap. See him before purchasing.

says that prospects for success are

Bridge work and gold or porcelain crowns at one third less than Grand

The gentlemen members of Mrs. Moore's "ten" of the Baptist church will give a bachelors' banquet at the home of Mrs. Hale, Wednesday, Dec,
4. An elaborate bill of fare has been
prepared. A cordial invitation is ex-

C. Bergin and family and John Bergin, wife and son, Raymond spent Thanksgiving with John McGee and wife at Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Peckham and son Carl, of Grand Rapids took Thanksgiving dinner with H. A. Peckham and wife

If you want a good enit of clothes for a little money just spend a few minutes with Coons the clothier.

Mrs. Trumbull is spending two or hree weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Oldfield at Cedar Springs.

Mrs. Geo Coppens, daughter Verle and son Ivan spent Thanksgiving

with her people in Cascade. A nice lamp would make a beauti-

Roy Whedon is gaining rapidly-but his sister Grace is now very sick with the same disease.

Rooms to rent on Avery street.
Mrs. N. Purple. Harvey Coons is out, after a brief

Earl McNaughson is learning the art preservative at this office.

See our window, L. H. Hunt & Co This week has been the means of naking a lively wood market.

Tuesday evening Lowell Lodge No. 9, F. & A. M. held its annual meet-9, F. & A. M. held its annual meeting and elected the following officers: W. S. Winegar, W. M; D. G. Look, S. W.; A. D. Oliver, J. W.; J. W. Broadbent, S. D.; Geo. Winegar, J. D.; J. A. Mattern, Sec.; Chas. Althen, Treas.; S. B. Knapp, Tiler; D. S. Blanding, Chaplain; J. W. Beery and J. L. Kopf, Stewards.

department Tuesday afternoon to allow the the teacher to visit the other visings schools. School was closed in Miss Ranney's

A fine line of trimmed hats at great reduction, for next ten days at Mrs. M. Hiler's.

Miss Carrie Parsons of Kalamazoo was in town Sturday and addressed the C. E. rally on Junior Endeavor

J. O. Chapin is expected home from California the latter part of this week. Baled hay and straw are in good demand this November winter.

Geo. B. Speaker is again at work in the packing room of the King Milling company.

Leon Burnett has entered the service of Uncle Samuel and will pass out your mail in place of Kate Ed-

monds, resigned \$2.50 buys a pair of the best kersey pants in the market at A. . . . Coons. Union Thanksgiving services were for Jackson county. held at the M. E. church. Rev. Jas. Provan preached the sermon.

Miss Barber, teacher in the south ward, was sick with a cold and unable to teach this week and Miss Agnes Perry supplied the vacancy very ac-

Elmer E. Stanton of Grand Rapids was in town last Saturday.

C. D Harrington of Grand Rapids addressed the C. E. Rally here last Saturday evening, on the subject of

Wash embroidery silks, stamped linens, also a nice line of Honiton laces and doylies at Mrs. M. Hiler's. The White Ribbon ladies will meet with Mrs. J. S. Hooker Friday. Dec.

Mrs. Adda B. Hollan, ex-postmis-tress at North Grand Rapids was, Tuesday morning, sentenced in the United States court to two years' im-imprisonment in the Detroit House of Notice to tax payers.—I will be in my office at the bank of Chas. J. Church & Son for the purpose of receiving taxes on Friday, Dec. 6, 1895 and each day thereafter to and including Jan. 9, after which the full fee of 4 per cent will be charged.

J. W. Beery, township treasurer.

Attorney Mains was at Elmdale, Monday, in the interest of the people of that burg, who are striving to get a schoolhouse located there. Mr. Mains says that prospects for success are

at A L. Coons. Warm shoes at Anderson & Fin-

Ionia is being canvassed by a smooth talking individual who represents himself as the "agent" of a "general supply" house in Chicago, which is engaged in the philanthropic scheme W. H. Clark and I. A. Anderson and families spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Stair of Grand Rapids.

Mrs. S. A. Bush and U. B. Williams attended a reunion of the Snell family be sold for \$1.00. In order to get the state of the st at Ionia yesterday. About twenty these prices, though, one must order people sat down to dinner. these than \$15 worth at one time, You will be surprised when you ask Coons his prices on all wool clay worsted suits. They are very cheap this fall.

A. M. Gibbs was out Wednesday. looking rather "peaked," after a hard run of fever.

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Wood pulp fruit cans are among he latest applications of wood fibre o a useful purpose.

See our window, L. H. Hunt & Co. The '95-'96 club had a pleasant party at Music hall, Wednesday eve-

The Vergennes Dancing club will give one of its popular parties at Mu-sic hall on Thursday evening, Dec. 5.

O. O. Adams has organized a quadrille band, consisting of first and sec-ond violins, clarinet, cornet and bass and is prepared to turnish music for parties on short notice and reasonable

Real estate transfer: Isabell C. Wood to Frederick A. Lampman, n i of sw i section 13, Lowell, \$1,000. Fine gold and silver fillings inserted by Dr. J. H. Rickert.

Judge Davis of the Ionia and Montcalm circuit has been too ill to attend court for a few days, but is now at work again and hopes to close the present term in Ionia this week.

About eighty couples attended the Odd Fellows party at Train's opera house last evening and report a very enjoyable time. The supper at Hotel Waverly was a feast fit for a king.

The Old Farmer Hopkins show at Music hall last evening was excellent, one of the best ever in Lowell, and attended by a large crowd. Music hall stock is looking up.

Many an unsightly root can be crowned with gold or porcelain and be made useful as well as pleasing to look at.

Dr. Rickert.

Murry's lake has risen five inches. Miss Ida Cooper, teacher of the Smyrna school, was a guest of her aunt, Mrs. John

Hapeman, Saturday and Sunday. Sacrifice meeting will be held at the Alton church Thanksgiving evening. Mr. Cox and daughter of Lowell visited

his son, Wm., Wednesday. John White of Clarksville was in Alton, the guest of Fred Ford, Saturday.

Ed Godfrey now occupies Mrs. Laven dar's farm. J. W. Broadbent has a corn crusher for for his mill, which arrived last week Thurs-

A chicken flew into Mr. Porter's face one day last week and came near putting his Mrs. Madison now occupies Mrs. Allee

Brown's house, taking possession one day Chauncey Miller, we understand, lives in the old Winegar house, with his brothers,

Ed and Fred. Geo. F. White of Lowell was in Alton

Saturday on business. Ed Eckert and four companions put up last Thursday night at Fred Ford's. They are en route for Arkansas overland, with three horses.

John Rennells has the agency for sign letters in the towns of Grattan, Oakfield and Spencer. David Clawson has the same

The best of materials used and work finished in an artistic manner at Dr. Rickert's office.

VERGENNES. A Demorest Silver Medal contest will be given under the auspices of the Vergennes W. C. T. U., at the Bailey church, Friday

evening, Dec. 6. PROGRAM. Music, male quartet. Prayer, Rev. Armstrong.

Music, male quartet. A Barrel of Whiskey, Hattie Lynn. Prohibition Warriors, Form in Line, Audie Gardner.

Music, Sounds from the Alps, O. A Adams, Cora Krum. Who is to Blame, Jessie Wright. The Advertisement of an Honest Rum-

seller, Lila Lynn. Music, male quartet. Prosperity Prophesied, Addie Collar. A Vivid Illustration, Jennie Wright. Music, male quartet.

The Bugle is Calling, Mary Copeland. Admission 5 cents. Clothing repaired at Smith's, the old reliable's.

See our window, L. H. Hunt & Co. FOR SALE-Three 40-acre farms, cheap. Enos & Bradfield.

PRATT LAKE. George Fletcher and wife made calls or their friends last week.

Some of the farmers are husking corn that they could not husk when it was dry. Eunice Fletcher is in Lowell, learning dress-making of Mrs. M. E. Hughson. Mrs. Griffin, who lectured on India in the M. E. church last Sunday, was a South

Mrs. Fred Simpson and little "daughter are visiting her parents, John Wilson and

Money to loan on rea! estate. Low rates, no bonns. Lowell State Bank Coons sells agood double breasted man's suit for \$6.00.

Buy all kind of wood of J. W. Ecker & Son.

A good Jeney overshirt costs only 50 cents at A L. Coons'.

See Ecker & Son for wood and kin-

GREAT

SUIT AND OVERCOAT

For your choice of SUITS worth 6.50, 7.00, 8.00, 8.50 and 9.00.

Cassimeres, Cheviotts, Worsteds, some of Actually Worth \$10.00.

Both Men's and Boys all go at that Price.

\$5.00

OVERCOATS.

An extra good wool Ulster worth \$7.00 for 5.00.

fine black or blue Dress Overcoat worth \$10 for 7.50.

12.50 for 9.98. all wool Kersey "

A good warm wool Overcoat worth \$5 for 3.75.

Boy's and Children's " in great variety very cheap.

GREAT CUT IN UNDERWEAR!

	Men's Camel's Hair S	Eirts ar	d Draw	erš worth	508)	ALE S
39c	" Natural Wool	"	"	"	50e	39c
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	" Heavy gray	ie	***	ì	50e }	

All Cut to 39 cents. Think of it. You are Saving nearly one-third of your money.

Men's very finest shirts and drawers strictly all wool worth 1.50,

for 98c. all wool and fine worth \$1.00 Red

Double Breasted and Back natural wool Shirts and Drawers worth 75c for 50c. Fleece lined Shirts and Drawers very soft worth 75c for 45c.

Harrisburg's ladies' shoes at \$1.75, 82.00 and \$2.75 at Anderson & Find. Other Grades in Proportion. We Cut the Prices on All Underwear.

That dollar underwear of the Staley make is extra quality. They are sold by Coons.

"Flannel "Sloo and 195 "Sloo a

" Extra Heavy worth 1.50 " 1.13

Extra Good Striped Overall "50 and 75 only 39c

Extra Good Striped Jackets worth 49c now only 39c

Men's Duck Coats \$1.00, 1.25, 1.50. Cotton Pants worth 75c for 58c.

Men's Pants Good Quality worth \$2.00, for 1.38 Men's Worsted Pants worth \$1.25 for 98c.

2.00 for 1.50. Kersey 2.50 for 1.75.

Heavy Cassimere " 3.50 for 2.38.

Other Goods Correspondingly Low.

Don't Fail to take advantage of this sale as it positively a saving of Dollars to you, and we guarantee these prices to be lower than goods, were ver before sold in Lowell. See us be fore buying at The Double Store.

WM. PULLEN & SON.

Clothiers, East Side, Lowell.

IS A MODERN SAUL, legged dollar," "dishonest dollar,"

HE HAS PUT THE NATIONAL BANKERS IN ECSTACIES.

His Name Is Aldredge and His Fame Rests on a Speech He Made at Atlant .- Ex-Congressman Bartine Ridicules Him.

Ex-Congressman Bartine in National Bimetallist: The bankers are in ecstacles over a new-found champion in the person of one Aldredge, who made a funny speech at Atlanta.

Whether this Aldredge is a very young man and gave the bankers the benefit of his maiden effort, or is one of ripe years who has been hiding his incandescent light under a canopy of extreme modesty, we know not. But we do know that he has emerged from obscurity and electrified a few simpleminded bankers with his wit.

It is unfortunate, though, that he has so much of natural humor in his mind, that unconsciously he allowed it to pervade his entire speech. Some of his most serious propositions were, in fact, the funniest parts of his discourse.

Among other things, he brought out the very remarkable fact, that the farmer is better off with wheat at 50 cents per bushel than he would be with wheat st \$1. Then he made it clear to those grave and wise bankers that diminished production is the true road to national prosperity, illustrating it by very cogent references to the recent rise in the price of cotton as a result of a reduced

These discoveries are of such importance to mankind that Judge Aldredge should have indulged in more amplification, and carried them to their logical conclusion. If the farmer is better off with 50-cent wheat than with dollarwheat, then 25-cent wheat will make him still more prosperous, and when it gets down to nothing per bushel, the cup of his happiness will be full. The failure of the great humorist to elucidate this point leaves his magical effort a little incomplete.

Then with regard to the blessings which have come from the partial failure of the cotton crop. From 9,900,-000 bales last year it has fallen to 6,500,-000 or 7,000,000 this year. Now if a loss. of 3,000,000 bales of cotton has so greatly improved business conditions in the south, what a flood tide of prosperity would have rolled over that region if the loss had been 6,000,000, bales! And if it had pleased Divine Providence to destroy it all, the cotton planter would be happier even than the farmer who sells his wheat for nothing. The incompleteness of the judge's remarks leaves the impression that his humor is rather mechanical, and that his logic, wille very good as far as it goes, breaks off rather too soon, as it were.

He might have very materially addpresume he draws a salary. He might have told those assembled philanthropists how exceedingly prosperous he was on the small stipend he was receiving, how much more prosperous he would be if he were reduced one-half, and that if he could only be permitted to serve the dear people for nothing, he would then occupy a position of unspeakable blist, Doubtless he would have used this illustration if he had thought of it. But we must not be too exacting. Even a new-born champion of sound (?) money cannot be expected to think of everything-and be "funny" at the same time.

He also discovered that the gold standard nations are "bimetallic," - because they use silver as "token money" along with their gold, while the silver standard countries are "monometatlic" because the use silve alone. Hence he concludes that the gold standard advocates are the "bimetallists," while the friends of free coinage are really "silver monometallists."

He had probably been reading Mr. Carlisle's "five unanswerable propositions," and being struck with a great "idee," he couldn't rest until he laid it before an amazed and admiring world.

But when a "funny" man attempts to become argumentative, he nearly always fails; sometimes because he does not want to spoil his wit by keeping too close to the line of true logic, and sometimes because of ignorance of material facts. Judge Aldredge seems to be ignorant of the difference between "token money" and standard money. He seems to be equally ignorant of the fact that "silver standard" countries make no attempt to use gold and have no need of it. He seems to be totally unconscious that "bimetallism" differs radically from either the gold standard or the silver standard. He is not so ignorant, though, as not to be aware that the only way he could defend the gold standard was by assuming the entire case; and so he cooly took it for granted that the moment we opened our mints to both metals alike, we would land upon the silver basis.

Perhaps the greatest joke perpetrated was the statement that he and the gold standard men generally, are the friends of silver, and that the free coinage people are its enemies. We have a sort of misty recellection of having heard somewhere such expressions as these: "clipped dollar," "90-cent dollar," "70-tually places all outstanding cent dollar," "50-cent dollar," "short-obligations on a gold basis.

'swindling dollar," "fraudulent dollar," 'buzzard dollar," and many others, and had really never understood these expressions as indicating extreme friendship for the silver dollar. But Judge Aldredge has thown a fleed of light upen this point, and it is a pleasure to learn that the friends of "honest meney," in using these epithets, were merely exemplifying the truth that 'whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth," and that after all they were "pet names in disguise." Still we remain skeptical. To accept Judge Aldredge's statement requires too high a flight into the realms of fancy. We might possibly imagine McKinley as the only true friend of free trade, or Henry George as an earnest consistent champion of protection; we can conceive of Baron Rothschilds as a thoroughly unselfish humanitarian, a highway robber as a conservative of the law, or Annanias as a "God of Truth," but we are not quite able to so completely reverse the ordinary modes of thought as to appreciate Judge Aldredge's rhetorical figure in which the advocates of the gold standard are pictured as the "true friends of silver."

It is really no wonder that the bankers went wild with enthusiasm over their new prophet. It most certainly wrought some miracles. And yet it must be confessed that he has not quite settled the silver question. Perhaps he will later on.

FALL IN PRICES.

Gold Men Will Cause This Overproduction of Wealth.

The trade journals, Dun's Report and Bradstreet's, have been presenting figures showing the severe decline in the prices of many staples within the last few months. The latter journal gave a review of the subject in its issue of October 26.

Many articles have fallen in price continually since last April. Among these, corn has fallen in six months, from 56 to 37 cents a bushel; oats from 351/2 to 24; barley from 52 to 421/2. There has been a continuous decline also in beeves, sheep, hogs, mutton, beef, pork, lard, beans, apples, currants, turpen-tine, alcohol, brick and lime.

Twenty-three staples, which rose in the quarter (the "boom!") from April 1 to July 1, fell off again between July 1 and October 1. These were wheat, which rose from 60% cents to 73%, and fell to 66%; rye, which rose from 55% cents to 59%, and then delined to 45 cents; flour, which rose from \$2.40 to \$3.50, and declined to \$3.15, and the following articles: Pigs, bacon, hams, sugar, molasses, peas, potatoes, peanuts, hemlock leather, oak leather, jute, steel upon these points was unfortunate. It beams, quicksliver, Southern coke, crude petroleum, refined petroleum, linseed oil, tar, carbolic acid and paper .-

The Manufacturer,
An examination of the foregoing will enable the Atkinsons, the Aldredges ed to the force of his argument (?) if and champions of goldism generally to ago absolutely furious in the characterhe had made a little reference to his wax eloquent over the prosperity of the ization of his "treachery," "perfidy," own salary. If he is still a judge we farmers and other producers. Prices and subserviency to the interests of the are going down, down, down, and no money powers. human being can tell where they will stop, if ever.

It would really be quite interesting to have Judge Aldredge make a careful to the skies. Not directly, it is true, computation showing how much more debt and taxes a farmer can pay with corn at 57 cents per bushel than he could with the price at 56. There is scarcely room for doubt that he would be equal to the feat.

Business Prospects.

Trade is slowly recovering from the gold contraction, the Baring failure and their widespread consequences, writes Del Mor from London. The revenue and other receipts for the half vear ended October 5, 1895, were £53,-951.404, against £52.940.704 for the like period of 1894, and the balance in the exchequer was £2,316,368, against £1,-351,221 in 1894. The toreign trade returns show an increase all along the line, the mining and manufacturing returns are satisfactory. However, to bring the cost of production within the parrow limits afforded to the existing currency, labor has to be crushed down to the point of starvation. During the last five years (all years of depression and gloom) there have been no less than 13,427 strikes (so says Mr. James Kelley, of Bermonssey), an average, if we omit Sundays, of about nine strikes a day, or one for nearly every working hour. Mr. Kelly's figures seem to have got fearfully swollen in some way or another, but he is not alone in the matter of turgid statistics. Your chief of the statistical bureau at Washington, with his four hundred millions of gold in circulation in the United States, is even more wild.

Suspension of Coinage.

coinage of all silver bullion purchased ular at this time. He is therefore willunder the Sherman act was suspended November 1. The amount of bullion money for the current expenses of the now held by the treasury is 137,644,000 ounces. The New Orleans mint will be closed, and no further coinage of silver dollars will be made until congress has taken action on the currency question. The appropriation for recoinage of subsidiary mutilated coin is exhausted, and no further coinage on that account will be made until a further appropriation has been made by congress. This virtually places all outstanding treasury



ducts since 1873 has been followed by with silver until it is now worth only to 1873. Western bankers can no longa decline in the value of the securities \$600,000. The only way to restore the er afford to bolster up this pro-British (farms generally) on which we have value of property and prices of products policy in this country.

Western Banker.—The decline in the loaned millions. The property worth is to again open the mints to free coin-

price of silver, wheat and other pro- \$1,000,000 in 1873 has gradually declined age of gold and silver as it existed prior

CAUTIOUS IN HIS CAMPAIGN AGAINST SILVER.

IIIs Endorsement of the Cleveland Sound Money Policy His First Public Slip-At Heart a Tool of the British Gold Owners.

There is no man in the United States whose financial ideas and policy have been subjected to more adverse criticism and bitter denunciation at the hands of the Democratic party, than have these of the spaler senter total Onio. Not only have his monetary views been assailed, but there has been very little hesitation in impunging his personal integrity.

This has been especially true in the South, and his action in bringing about the demonetization of silver in 1873 has been condemned with a unanimity seldom witnessed.

Large numbers of the so-called "cuckoo" Democrats were a short time

Today, hundreds of Democratic news papers, and thousands of Democratic office-holders are lauding Mr. Sherman but none the less so in fact.

The sound (?) money policy of Cleveland and Carlisle is receiving their most enthusiastic endorsement. What is that but endorsing Sherman? The only difference between Cleveland and Sherman upon the silver question is, that the former is the more extreme and unyielding of the two. This probably comes from the difference in their mental characteristics. Cleveland is dull. dogmatic, obstinate and outspoken. Sherman is keen, smooth, cautious and diplomatic. Cleveland takes a position and clings to it tenaciously. Sherman can and does shift his attitude as public opinion changes.

But their views are essentially the same. Both are in accord with the great "money power" of New York and Wall street paramount to the interests lieve that the financial policy of the directly benefit the money centers, upon the theory, perhaps, that if Wall street can enjoy a superabundance of prosperity, the rest of the country may catch a little of the overflow.

It never occurs to either of them that the country could get along without Wall street, but that Wall street could not possibly get along without the country. Both seem to think that the whole-industrial system of the United States is merely an adjunct to the business of banking.

Mr. Sherman is not in favor of retiring the greenbacks just now, but that is not because of an indisposition to favor the banks. He is shrewd enough to see By the direction of the president, the that such a measure would not be poping enough to issue bonds to raise government, but not for the withdrawa of the greenbacks. By this course he can reach practically the same result so far as the maintenance of the gold reserve is concerned, and also cast a little odium upon the tariff policy of the Dem ocratic party.

> Upon the money question proper, Mr Cleveland and Mr. Sherman are as near alke as "tweedledee and tweedledum." of Cleveland, let it not be forgotten that ard; that is to say 0.925 fine.

SHERMAN SHIFTS. the financial virtues of Sherman are included in the retrain.

> The term "Sherman Democrats" exactly fits a very considerable number of people in the United States at this writing.

MORGAN IN CHIGAGO.

How Gold Bugs of That City Treat Their Friend.

John W. Doane gave a luncheon yesterday at the Chicago club in honor of J. Plerpont Morgan. The Chicago club s an organization of millionaires, refore Mr. Morgan was at his ease ity and exchange compliments with the New York financier had stretched their finely clad legs under the board, Mr. Doane arose and said:

"I propose the health of a man whom Chicago honors as the man who kept intact the treasury gold reserve and prevented the country from going to a silver basis, J. Pierpont Morgan.'

Had Mr. Doane cared less for the observance of social form and more for solid truth he would have raised his glass of extra dry and said:

'I propose the health of a man who. with Mr. Belmont and Baron Rothschild, so juggled the money market that the national government was forced to pay him several million dollars for the temporary use of \$65,000,000 of gold. which amount is already going back into his pocket. I have no doubt, gentlemen, that our guest is hopeful of again being able in the near future to flimflam Grover Cleveland and John G. Carlisle out of another batch of bonds

Gentlemen, Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan." Whereupon Mr. Morgan could, with strict regard for truth, have responded

after this fashion: "Fellow millionalres: Were I not otherwise informed I should know, after casting my eyes about this palatial home of our set, that you are firm believers in a sound currency. So am I. With the lead-pipe cinch we have on the money market, aided by our great and good friend in Washington, I see no reason why we should not take a hopeful view of things. I feel confident that London. Both make the interests of it is only a question of time when I and my colleagues will again be called of the country as a whole. Both be- on to keep intact the treasury's gold reserve. When that time comes, gentlegovernment should be so shaped as to men, you will find us as patriotic, as loyal to our country, as swift to grab more millions of the people's money as we were last March. Gentlemen, I thank you."

> Social customs often prevent the free and unhampered interchange of honest convictions.-Chicago Mail and Press.

The Movement of Values.

Dun's Review gives the following table of comparative values of merchandise this year, with those of 1890 taken

Mch. 1,	Oct. 1.		
189	1895.		
96.2	76.8		
72.5	87.5		
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54.7	83.6		
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86.2	82.4		
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Silver.

The basance of trade still continues in favor of India, who is thereby enabled to continue her purchase of silver in London. Silver is also flowing to China, and the price has lately gone up So when the "cuckoo" sings his praises from 30 to 311/4 pence per ounce stand-

AMERICA FIRST.

Senator Pettigrew Is Interviewed on the Only Living Issue.

Senator Pettigrew of South Dakota has been to New York, and has talked politics with prominent republicans. He wants Senator Davis of Minnesota nominated for president, because he would not veto a silver bill. Speaking of the situation in the west, Mr. Pettigrew said:

"The importance to the republican party of securing the support and coeration of the silver wing in the next presidential campaign cannot be overestimated. If the silver men are ig-pored and a gold bug is nominated open a gold platform, seven or eight of the republican states of the northwest will chasing an issue, squarely made, the silver men will put up a candidate of their own and he will poll at least 5,000,000 votes, which will prevent an election by the

people.' "How would that help you? Is not the house republican, and will it not choose the candidates of the republican party if the election should be thrown into the house of representatives?"

"I am not sure about that (Senator Pettigrew answered). Each state will and 17, report of the have one vote. Suppose all the southern states, whose tendencies are decidedly in favor of silver, should combine with the west and northwest? The silver candidates would come very near being elected, but of course what we all hope to avoid is such a contingency. I am not trying to make any threats. Threats are very silly among men. I am simply stating what is perfectly patent to every intelligent and thinking man who has traveled through the west and observed the trend of public senti-

ment.-Raleigh (N. C.) Carolinian. Senator Pettigrew paid this office a visit last week. The senator has studied the silver question carefully, and has a most comprehensive grasp of the subject. Like nearly all who have studied ing bimetallist. He scouts the idea of the United States asking the co-operation or permission of England to restore the money system of the American constitution. He has unbounded confidence in the ability of the United States would prefer to see this country act nlone.

The National Bimetallist cordially indorses the sentiment and congratulates from politics. the people of South Dakota upon their senior senator, who is true to their interests, and able to defend them .- National Bimetallist.

Senator Chandler's Position Senator Chandler's letter to the Republicans of Colorado is, perhaps, the most significant of recent events bear-

ing upon the silver issue. It has been known for a long time that Mr. Chandler is very anxious for the complete restoration of silver to its former position as a money metal. It has been currently believed that his colleague, Mr. Gallinger, shares his views. Such being the case, there is scarcely room for doubt that there is considerable silver sentiment in the staid old commonwealth of New Hampshire. A few years ago the greenbackers, it will be remembered, came very near carrying the adjoining state of fied with us because we do not give Maine.

Some months since the Boston Post took a vote on the silver question. The a few days only, and the total vote was over 900 against it.

ON GOLD AND SILVER.

STATISTICS SHOWING THEIR RELATIVE VALUES.

The Reports of the Director of the Mint Show That 16 Ounces of Silver to One of Gold Is the Proper Ratio of Colnage.

At the time of the discovery of America the amount of gold and silver in Europe in use as money was insignificant, being estimated by Humboldt at not more than \$150,000,000, the larger accumulations made during the rise of the Roman empire having been almost entirely dissipated. Three hundred millions of dellars is considered to be a very liberal estimate of the whole stock of gold and silver in existence in the then known world at the time of the discovery of America. The production of gold and silver in the world since 1493 is given on pages 174 and 175 of the report of the director of the United States mint for 1894 at 406,306,476 ounces of gold of coinage value of \$8,339,101,000, and 7,664,023,716 ounces of silver of coinage value of \$9,909,041,000.

How much of this gold is still in existence is problematical, for it is impossible even to approximately estimate the actual loss in use and the waste of the precious metals in manufacturing and the arts. The approximate amounts of gold and silver in use as money in the world are, however, given by Mr. Preston, director of the mint, at \$3,965,900,-000 gold and \$4,055,700,000 silver at our coinage ratio of 16 (15.98) to 1, from which it is apparent that there is almost exactly sixteen ounces of silver in use as money to one of gold. The balance of the gold and silver mined since 1493 has, of course, either been absorbed in the arts or lost. But as affecting the supply of gold and silver available for coinage we have little occasion to speculate as to the amount of gold and silver used in the arts and still in existence, for gold and silver so used is as effectually withdrawn from the stock of gold and silver available for use as money as if it were lost, for the labor expended on gold and silver used in the arts gives it such an enhanced value that the melting down of such gold and silver used as ornaments and plate for

sale as bullion is out of the question.

The total amount of silver purchased under the cof July 1990 (the Sherman act of May 1990, the date the cof t ted 168,674,682 e, aggre be lost to the republicans. Upon such 53-100 cunc s fine (pure silver without alloy), costing \$155,981,002.25, or an average of .9244 cents per ounce, the coinage value of the same in silver dollars being \$218,084,438. Of the amount purchased there was used up to November, 1, 1894, in the coinage of 38,531,143 silver dollars, 29,801,430.88 fine ounces, costing \$30,767,082.97. Thus it will be seen that little more than one-sixth of the silver purchased under the Sherman act has been coined. (See pages 15, 16 United States Mint for 1894.) Of the treasury notes issued to purchase this silver, costing \$155,931,002.25, as above, \$144,000,000 are still outstanding.

Under the act of February 28, 1878, known as the Bland act, 291,272,018.56 ounces of fine silver were bought at a cost of \$308,279,260.71 and coined into 378,166,793 silver dollars, against an equal portion of which 338,000,000 of silver certificates have been issued, \$330,000,000 of which are still outstanding .- The American.

Said by Teller.

Senator Teller, in an interview the other day, in Washington, confirmed the report sent out some time ago that he would withdraw from the Repubit without biss, he is an uncompromis- lican party if a gold-bug were nominated for the presidency. He is reported as saying:

"It looks as though the Eastern states would dictate the nomination in the next Republican convention. If they do, they will name a gold man. to manage its monetary affairs, and In that event I shall resign my seat in the senate before I would give my allegiance to an avowed gold standard candidate and I would retire finally

'Respecting Mr. Sherman as a public man, I differ from him entirely on questions of financial policy, and could not consider him a prudent or safe man for president, and I regard Mr. Mc-Kinley in very much the same light. Senator Allison I personally regard very highly, and he would be more acceptable to the people of the West than the two named.

"Yet I hope the convention will not be confined to these men. The Colorado electoral vote will be given to no man who is not square on the silver question. The state will throw its vote away before it will cast it for a gold monometallist."

A New Voice for Silver. We welcome the advent of a new advocate of the cause of bimetallism. It is called the National Blinetallist. Those of our renders who are dissatis-

space enough to the silver movement will be pleased with this new publication, which is devoted to currency recolumns of the paper were kept open for form and nothing else. Its sixteen pages are filled with first-class arguabout 2,409. Of these more than 1,400 | ments, and it starts out well in its fight were for free coinage, and something in the cause of "the people against plutocracy."-Ex.

OF GOLD.

From the National Bimetallist, Chicago: The National Bimetallist is neither a gloomy pessimist nor a visionary optimistic dreamer. It aims to look at things as they really are. There can be no measure of prosperity for the American people that will not be joyously welcomed by this journal. the same time it ought to be manifest to all who intelligently scan the situation, that except by comparison with the awful depression of 1893 and 1894, there is no "prosperity" in sight. It should also be apparent that the conditions indispensible for permanent prosperity do not at present exist. Every article which in flaming headlines heralds the return of prosperity is so plainly intended to kill off the "silver issue," that it should deceive nobody.

The Chicago Record of the 26th inst contains a long special from W. E. Curtis under the caption, "Revival of Business." The closest analysis of the article fails to bring to light a single fact which sustained the title. It is merely a resume of how the New York bankers feel and what they at present desire. Mr. Curtis begins by saying: The New York bankers are paying very little attention to politics and even less to the subject of financial legislation by the next congress. This is unmistakable evidence of prosperity. While there are certain laws that they would like to have repealed and amended, and certain propositions they would like to have embodied in the statutes, they are generally averse to all financial legislation for fear agitation and discussion will disturb existing conditions and retard the improvement that is felt in all lines of commerce and trade. I find almost universal confidence that "good times" have come again; that the country is recovering from the long and severe depression and is entering upon one of prosperity that will continue for at least a decade, and at the same time there is an apprehension lest congress may disturb industry and trade by unwise legislation or a prolonged agitation that would be quite as disastrous. When things are going right the men who handle money want to be let alone, but when they are worried they appeal to congress for legislation. Just now they would prefer to have congress adjourn as soon as possible, but they wish that the presidential campaign could so the fact

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Mr. Curtis in the banks of dying a
new system of logic. It does not seem
to occur to him that the banks have recently placed themselves apon ground that gives them great advantages over other classes, and that they may deem it sound discretion on their part to "lie low" for awhile and take no chances of losing what they have gained. The bankers know that the very mo

ment they ask for financial legislation, they open up the whole monetary question, revive the agitation which they fear, and with the absolute certainty staring them in the face that an averse they may bring forward.

They think silver coinage has re ceived a heavy blow, and if they can now prevent a renewal of the "agitation," it will die. So for the present they are anxious to let "well enough" Hence the claim that "good times" have returned, and there must be no discussion of financial matters. They seek to disseminate the belief that any further disscussion of "silver" will check the "advancing tide of prosperity." Prosperity as easily checked as that must be a mere shadow.

No banker has ever explained, none ever will and none ever can explain how the complete restoration of silver to its former right of coinage could destroy the prosperity or retard the progress of our country.

That Mr. Curtis understands the banker's instincts is conclusively shown by the statement: "When things are going right (that is for them), the men who handle money want to be let alone, but when they are worried they appeal to congress for legislation."

No truer words were ever written Every panic in Wall street has been marked by the most frantic appeals of that great money center to the national government for help. And the help has generally been forthcoming.

Under such circumstances the bankers are ready to accept almost any kind of monetary legislation that promises immediate relief. But when they are relieved, partly by government aid, and partly by calling in their loans-thus squeezing everybody else-they point to their plethoric vaults as proof that there is plenty of money, and denounce free silver coinage as a scheme for the "de basement of the currency and the repudiation of debt."

When the farmer complains that under the sound (?) money system so dear to the bankers heart, he is selling his produce for almost nothing, the lover of honest (?) money tells him to "discharge his hired man and raise smaller crops." This is the very essence of

the "over-production" cry. It is not at all surprising that they would like to have the presidential election postponed. Why should they not? Mr. Cleveland has been a most excellent friend to them. If there is anything in Press. the way of legislation that the bankers desire which would not receive the approval of the present chief magistrate that has not yet been thought of.

Mr. Curtis says that "the wisest | bankers find much gratification in the fact that there is very little possibility THAT IS THE SIZE OF 24 CRAINS of financial legislation by the next congress, for they cannot conceive of any radical measures upon which the house which is republican, the senate, which The Bankers Know This and Are Say- is controlled by the silver men, and the ing that Times Are Good — With president, who will be firm as the Them, Yes—With the People, It is sphinx against all foolish propositions, can agree. They have great faith in him and in Speaker Reed, whom they expect to fill the committees on currency and ways and means with men of similar views."

By the "wisest bankers" is probably meant the richest ones. "Wisest" and "richest" are very nearly sysnomymous when applied to bankers. Their faith in the president and ex-Speaker Reed is exceedingly well grounded.

Reed and Cleveland are far enough apart in some things, but they can be safely relied upon to pull together on financial questions. They both have implicit faith in the honesty of the 200cent dollar that is all the time growing bigger.

But we are told that they (the bankers) have not much confidence in Carlisle. They can hardly be blamed for that. Although he is now singing of gold in the most dulcet tones, they know that it was not always so. The 'wisest bankers" know that a monetary acrobat will always do to watch. They know that the same persuasive influthat converted him to goldism might easily convert him back to silver

SOME REASONS WHY.

M. W. Meagher Gives Good Reasons fo Favoring Free Coinage.

I favor free silver because I am an American, proud of our institutions, and opposed to foreign domination, whether exercised by monarchs or by gold syndicates.

As a result of the single gold standard I am humiliated daily in watching the United States treasury report to ascertain whether the Rothschild London syndicate, through pique, petulance, caprice, whims or greed, has withdrawn its protecting hand, which alone saves us from national bankruptcy, and, hence, I advocate the repeal of the demonetization act of 1873 and all subsequent acts amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto, without consulting thereon any foreign syndicate or coterie of international "sandbaggers," euphemistically termed foreign nations, to the end that we may regain the independent position we occupied from the foundation of our government until the fatal year 1873, when we became a dependency of the money sharks of Europe.

I advocate the free, unlimited coinage of both silver and gold at the ratio of 16 to 1 because I favor a stable curency-one metal acting as the correct-

The cornering of money by the Shylocks of London, Paris, Berlin, Frankfort, and New York-citizens of different countries, patriots of none-when it consists of gold only is materially facilitated by the hoarding of it by the timid of every land.

I favor the free coinage of silver and gold that the people of the United States may be enabled to escape financiai ruin and, otherwise, inevitable industrial and commercial disaster, sequentially from the gold coin bonds, mortgages and notes, by which they have bound themselves to discharge which, by no possible means, they could or even can now obtain-gold.

I favor the free coinage of both silver and gold, because the silver dollar to-day is too expensive as token money. or the mere representative of moneypaper would do equally as well-and not sufficiently valuable-being worth only 50 cents-as redemption money.

I favor the free coinage of both metals because I am opposed to 50 cent dollars for the poor-the only dollars they handle to-day-and 100 cent dollars for foreign bondholders and New York plutocrats-the only dollars they will deign to receive.

I favor the free coinage of both silver and gold, because I favor an honest dollar-there should be no "good, better, best" money-it should all be good. M. W. Meagher.

Our "Sound Currency" System.

Now that the order has gone out to stop the coinage of silver dollars, we hope the Cleveland administration is check-full of joy. This has been its aim since Vilas and the other goldbugs on the resolutions committee drew up the money-straddling plank for the Democratic convention of 1892.

By this order the silver bullion in the treasury is thrown onto the \$93,-000,000 gold reserve for protection. There are already about \$800,000,000 in various forms of currency dependent upon those \$93,000,000 for stability, and as the silver bullion, if coined, amounts to \$178,000,000, nearly \$1,000,000,000 is kept at par by less than one-tenth that

What would be thought of a merchant if he tried to run a thousand-dollar business on a capital of \$93? What would be thought of a business man if he persisted in issuing notes when his safe was filled with money? What is to be thought of a national financial system which makes \$93,000,000 of assets

equal \$1,000,000,000 of liabilities? Yet we are daily informed by goldite mouth organs and spell-binders that the country will go to hell if we depart from a "sound money basis."

There are more fools in high places, Horatio, than in all the homes for feeble-minded on earth.-Chleage

The greatest bull fighter in Spain receives \$1,500 for every performance, Uniform divorce and marriage laws. of the United States, it is something and appeared in the arena seventy-sev- Uniform election laws in every state, en times last year.

J. SHERMAN IN 1878.

WAS THEN A FRIEND OF FREE SILVER COINAGE.

This Letter Should Prove that the People Are Being Betrayed Into the Hazds of the Philistines-Why the Change?

Treasury Department, July 15, 1878 .-Dear Sir: To that part of your letter of the 12th inst.,in which you ask my views of the matter confided in the monetary commission, I have some delicacy in replying very fully. During the monetary conference in Paris, when silver in our country was excluded from circulation by being undervalued, I was strongly in favor of the silver standard of gold, and wrote a letter which you will find in the proceedings of that conference, stating briefly my view. At that time the wisest of us did not anticlpate the sudden fall of silver or the rise of gold that has occurrred. This uncertainty of the relation between the two metals is one of the chief arguments in favor of a monometallic system, but other arguments, showing the dangerous effect upon industry by dropping one of the precious metals from the standard of value, outweigh in my mind all theoretical objections to the bimetallic system. I am thoroughly convinced that if it were possible for the leading commercial nations to fix by agreement an arbitrary relation between silver and gold, even though the market value might vary somewhat from time to time, it would be a measure of the greatest good to all nations. My earnest desire is that you may succeed in doing this.

You are so well informed upon this subject that it is not worth while for me to enlarge upon it. The statement and documents sent you by the director of the mint will give in authentic form most of the material facts which bear upon the question, and your own investigation on the silver question will, I am quite sure, supply any deficiency. Very Truly Yours,

JOHN SHERMAN, W. S. GROSBECK, Secretary.

Cincinnati, O.

VICTORY FOR SILVER.

Vote in the Eighteenth Illinois District A Fair Indication.

The lying vagabonds who are running British gold standard papers in this country are attempting to prove that the election of Hadley in the eighth Illinois congressional district is a defeat for free silver. They know that they tell a deliberate falsehood when they say this. The free silver advocates had three candidates in the eighteenth district. There were four candidates in

pledged to free silver the following

For the democratic candidate 18,741 For the populist candidate 4,127

For the prohibition candidate 1,701

Total silver vote......24,569 Total Hadley (republican) vote...20,426 Majority for silver..... 4,143

But that is not all. Hadley did not make a speech favorable to gold during the whole campaign. He did not stand on the platform at all and went o far as to say that the republican party was the only real friend of silver and that it would yet settle the question in a satisfactory manner. It can fairly be stated that Hadley got at least 10,000 free silver votes. Had he stood squarely on the platform (it was made for another candidate, a pronounced gold standard man, who died early in the campaign) he would not have received a single free silver vote.

It may also be said for the benefit of our Anglo-American contemporaries that many free silver republicans remained at home rather than vote for Lane. They argued that as soon as he got to Washington he would probably do as hundreds of others have done-go back on his pledge to silver. So between Hadley and Lane genuine silver men of both parties had little choice. It is positive that leading silver men did not want Lane to win. His defeat clears the deck for action next year. The line of action is plain. The silver forces of all parties will at once unite. They can elect their candidates everywhere next year. Get to work, brother republicans, democrats, populists, and prohibitionists, all along the line. You have a sacred duty to perform for your country. The vultures are at the throat of liberty. The republican party is great but it cannot save the republic. The democratic party has its glorious traditions, but traditions won't save the republic. The populist and the prohibitionist parties stand for principles that are right and all of them will be settled in time. But the republic must be saved first.' It will require the best elements of all parties to save it. Let us unite at once. Let us build a platform like this free silver and unlimited coinage at the ratio of sixteen ounces of

silver to one ounce of gold. Tariff for revenue with incidental protection to industries in which no foreign capital is invested. A uniform system of education in every state of the Union and free text books. A national board of education. A gradual extinction of the liquor traffic. The appointment of a commission to look into the feasibility of the operation of railways by the government, with a view of bringing them under direct control so that they will bear the same relation

to the people the postoffice now does. The speedy confiscation of land held by fereigners for speculative purposes.

dent, vice-president and cabinet and HOW IT IS WORKING. senate by direct vote.

A strictly American policy in every thing.

A speedy declaration of war against any nation that presumes to encroach on the territory of our sister republics of these continents.

Speedy construction of the Nicaraguan canal and a cultivation of close commercial relations with the nations of Asia.

The acquisition of British Columbia and a government railroad through American territory to Alaska in order that the great wealth of that territory may be properly developed.

Such a platform is long enough and plain enough. It contains the best portions of all the old party platforms with some up-to-date planks thrown in. Honest men in all parties could unite on it. The party that wins next year will have such a platform.

SILVERITE.

MEXICO SATISFIED.

Even Silver Monometallism Has Bene-

fited Our Neighbors. Mexico seems to be well satisfied with her monetary system. There is no reason why she should not be. Although not yet in the front rank of nations. she is improving her condition with marvelous rapidity. So long as she is moving forward with greater relative speed than gold standard nations, it is but natural that she should regard her monetary system as a good one.

When half-civilized nations upon the silver basis are enjoying greater relative prosperity than the highly civilized gold standard countries, it furnishes conclusive evidence that gold is not the only "honest and sound money." If the believers in the gold standard would open their eyes, the palpable historic truth that nations have lived and prospered for many years at a time without either metal in circulation, it might dawn upon them that all the hopes of humanity do not depend upon the gold dollar.

Speaking of the clap-trap about free coinage sinking the United States to a lower level, the Mexican Financier

There is a good deal of foreign rubbish being printed in foreign papers about the adoption of the silver standard as certain to "sink the United States to the level of China and Mexico." Now we maintain that Mexico can "hard times" than the favored land of Uncle Sam. Our railways did not go into the hands of receivers at the rate of two a week; our banks did not fail; our factories were actively employed; our cities were not filled with hungry people out of employment, and bank cashiers were not running away or committing suicide. Suppose we should reverse the remark above quoted and say that it would pain us to see Mexico adopt the gold at odard and thic to the level of countries like the United States and Monaco!

Those people who are so afraid of having our standard of civilization lowered by the use of silver, ought to bring forward some scheme to break off commercial relations with those coun-

The social intercourse which comes to degrade us, than the mere jingling be "good." in our pockets of a few more silver dol-

Baltimore Herald (Ind.): It appears from the account of transactions rendered by the principals of the Morgan and Belmont bond syndicate to the members of the secondary syndicate that the profits on the operation were by no means as large as the general public supposed them to be. The confidential circular issued to all of those connected with the deat in a subsidiary capacity, informs them that their net gain on the money advanced is 6% per cent. This, considering the fact that the transaction covers a period of seven months, is not a great advance on the amount which could have been carned in an ordinary banking business. The inference intended to be drawn from the showing is, of course, that the syndicate did not take advantage of the needs of the treasury to drive an extraordinarily hard bargain. but contented itself with an amount that may be deemed modest when compared with the value of the services

rendered. It will be observed, however, that 6% per cent represents the dividend allotted to those who aided the principals in their undertaking, and who merely went into it as an investment. Nothing is said about the speculative profits of Messrs. Belmont and Morgan, which were probably much greater. The others occupied merely the position of employes, receiving fixed wages, and did not obtain pay for conceiving the plan and bringing it to a successful conclusion. The two heads of the combination probably absorbed the greater part of the surplus, and upon this most interesting point the report is silent.

Meanwhile the solemn fact remains that the treasury of this great country still finds itself within the grasp and practically at the mercy of two Wall street bankers and their associates. How long will this shameful condition of our national finances continue?

What Fifty Men Can Do.

"Fifty men in these United States have it in their power, by reason of the wealth which they control, to come together within twenty-four hours and arrive at an understanding by which every wheel of trade and commerce may be stopped from revolving, every avenue of trade blocked, and every electric key struck dumb. Those fifty men can paralyze the whole country, or they can control the circulation of the currency, and create a panic whenever and election and nomination of presi- they will."-Chauncey M. Depew.

GOLD STANDARD IS TAKING OUR TRADE AWAY.

The Appreciation of the Yellow Metal Building Up the Trade of Silver-Using Nations-Great Game of English Money Lords.

China used last year 17,000,000 yards of American cloth less than her usual consumption.-Hebrew Leader. One effect of silver's demonetization

has been to erect a barrier more effective against commercial imports into silver-using countries than a Chinese wall could be. As a result of demonetization, the manufacture of cotton and other goods has increased most amazingly in India, in China and in Japan. Manufacturers of India can easily undersell the United States and the countries of Europe in Asia. Silver is worth as much as ever in Asia, in domestic use, so the manufacturers there can buy as much labor as before with the same amount of silver. But as silver is commercially worth nearly one-half less than it was before demonetization in the United States and Europe, it requires nearly twice as much silver to pay for a given quantity of goods imported into silver countries from the United States and Europe as it did before demonetization. This is equivalent to an import protective duty of nearly or quite one hundred per cent, and consequently the native manufacturers in the silver standard countries are having things their own way. This explains the prosperity of Mexico, as well as the prosperity of the manufacturing countries of Asia. Our manufacturers cannot compete with the manufacturers of Mexico in selling to Mexicans. Silver is worth as much there as before demonetization, and labor costs the manufacturer no more. The American manufacturer must ask twice or nearly twice his former price in order to make a reasonable profit if he would sell in Mexico, and consequently the manufacturers of Mexico have a cinch on the situation. All the benefits of a protective tariff in this country are given away or made null by the present money policy, which keeps the American manufacturers from the markets of silverusing countries as effectually as though these silver-using countries imposed a show a better record during the recent protective duty on all manufactured imports of one hundred per cent.-Syracuse Herald (N. Y.)

At every turn we are confronted by evidence of the fact that the appreciation of gold is building up the business of silver-using countries at the expense of those upon the gold standard.

Nothing could be clearer than the above article from the Syracuse Herald, and nothing could be very much more suggestive than the opening paragraph.
Gold having risen nearly 100 per cent, measured in stiver, when the Chinaman ends his silver abroad to buy goods, he has to send two dollars instead of one. Hence he keeps them both at home, and as far as possible manufactures his own goods. And still the gold champion indulges in glowing panegyrics upon what he calls the "best money in the world." It never occurs to him from commerce will be far more likely that money may become too "dear" to

TO THE POINT.

ressman Bartine Tells a Chica Paper What Free Coinage Would Do.

Hon. H. F. Bartine, in Chicago Evening Press: I favor free silver, because I am a bimetallist, and there can be no genuine bimetallism without according presses are run on full time and the to both metals unlimited coinage and full legal tender. I am in favor of the fast. ratio of 16 to 1 because that corresponds very closely with the relative quantities of gold and silver in the world, whether in the form of coin or immediately available for coinage; for the further reasons that this was the legal ratio at the time silver was demonetized, and because there is no doubt in my mind that under present conditions of production and consumption by the other countries the United States can coin, absorb, and use the entire surplus stock of silver in the world, thus fixing the market value at our coinage rate. To change to a higher ratio would not only diminish the amount of metallic money, but it would throw our silver coinage too far out of concordance with the coinages of other nations using both metals, nearly all, of the full legal tender silver in the world being now coined at ratios ranging from 15 to 16 to 1. As defined above, bimetallism is greatly superior to monometallism, because the two metals constituting a much larger body than one alone the aggregate mass is less liable to sudden changes of value as the mines increase or diminish their output.

I am in favor of free coinage because the certain effect of demonetizing silver was to increase the demand for gold, thus enhancing its value and depreciating the value of all dens of the debtor and giving an other property, adding to the burunconscionable advantage to those who are in a position to control the world's supply of gold.

Because silver demonetization was immediately followed by a tremendous and unnatural shrinkage of property and commodity values, the great staples at wholesale prices having fallen more than 40 per cent.

Because this shrinkage in values has been accompanied by a most extraordinary depression of trade and industry, continuing with only temporary checks and partial revivals from 1873 to the present time.

Because under the gold standard thus established there has been more extreme poverty, more widespread suffering, and more "tramps" than ever before in the history of our country. | wakers.

Because at the same time there has been a greater massing of wealth at a few of the principal money centers than ever before.

Because at the money centers themselves this wealth is in the hands of an exceedingly small number of individuals, as shown by the fact that in New York, by far the richest city in America, and the Gibraltar of the gold standard, only about 6 per cent of the people own their homes, many even of cais small percentage being under mortgage.

Because the appreciation of gold under present conditions has given silverusing countries opportunities and advantages which they never had before, enabling them to compete with us in the European market, and forcing us to sell our great staples upon a silver basis, while every debt must be paid in appreciated gold or its equivalent. From this it necessarily follows that a rise in the value of silver would be to our advantage as a great producing and exporting nation - also loaded down with debt.

Because the restoration of silver to its proper place in our monetary system will at once place us in close commercial relations with silver-using countries comprising about two-thirds of the world's population, thus furnishing a market for our manufacture and vastly increasing our foreign trade.

Because the use of "cheap silver," as it is contemptuously termed, is building up the manufactures of Mexico, China, Japan, and other countries at a rate that threatens destruction, not only to our own, but to those of Europe as well.

Because, finally, I believe that the free coinage of silver will, in part, at least, restore lost values, set the wheels of industry in motion, give employment to vast numbers of honest workmen, make credit more secure by increasing the supply of actual money upon which all credit rests, permanently revive business and bring more of real permanent prosperity to the toilers and producers of the country than any one act that could be crystallized into law.

TO STOP GOLD EXPORTS.

The Chicago Evening Press Says Free Colunge Would Do It.

Chicago Evening Press: American obligations held abroad are estimated at 5,000 millions of dollars, most of which is held in England. At 4 per cent the interest on this sum is \$200 -000,000. The value of American exports to England is about \$500,000,000 a year. Subtract from this the interest account and there is left \$300,000,000 to offset the value of our imports from that country, amounting, approximately, to \$350,000,000 a year.

We are, consequently, running behind in our transactions with England 50,000,000 annually.

This serious condition of affairs has been going on since 1891, when heavy exports of gold began for the purpose of making good the trade balance against us. It has from time to time been augmented by the withdrawal of British investments from this country, holders of which, knowing that we cannot stand a drain of \$200,000,000 with the trade balance against us and our entire gold output amounting to less than \$40,000,000 a year.

Notwithstanding these glaring discrepancies in our national trade and monetary transactions, gold advocates continue to preach the efficacy of the vellow metal in bringing salvation to the country. It is apparent from the facts given that it is only a question of time when there will not be a gold dollar left in the land unless the bond patriotism of syndicates remains stead-

The gold outflow can be stopped by enacting prohibitive tariffs against all countries, withdrawing ourselves into the shell of exclusiveness, and cutting off all commercial relations with the world. But a more honorable, more sensible way would be to restore silver to its rights and admit it to the free coinage privileges enjoyed by gold. The commercial values of the two metals would at once readjust themselves to the ratio of 16 to 1. With the dehtpaying and purchasing powers of silver and gold equal, which they would be were silver remonetized no country on this green earth could or would refuse silver in payment for products or of interest on our obligations.

Profitable Banking.

Mr. G. G. Williams, president of the Chemical National bank, of New York, gave his views before the congressional committee Dec. 15, 1894, on finance, and he took his own bank to illustrate the beauties of our glorious banking system. Its capital is \$300,000; its surplus, \$6,000,000; its undivided profits more than \$1,000,000; its deposits, \$30,000,-000; its dividends, 150 per cent per annum, and its stock was selling at \$4,-300 per share of \$100. Until the people insist upon taking possession of this government, they should not complain of such concentration of wealth, and their own small income.-Sledgehammer.

It is amusing to compare the anteelection and post-election editorials of the goldite press. On Oct. 9 the Atlanta Journal (Hoke Smith's paper) gloatingly remarked that silver had been repudiated this year by every Democratic state convention but one-Mississippi. On November 6 the same paper said that free coinage lunacy had defeated the Democratic party in every state-but Mississippi. There is logic for you with a vengeance, gentlemen. Mississippi, the only state in which the party came out unequivocally for 16 to 1,stands alone in the Democratic column and with 50,000 majority at that. Yet they tell us that the silver cause is dead. The corpse is laughing at the