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**UNION COUNTY BLANKETS TO MASSACHUSETTS.**

"The Union Woolen Mills this week shipped ten cases of white blankets to Wellesley College, Mass.—an order secured against the hardest sort of eastern competition,—a victory for superiority. Oregon beats the world for blankets, and Union claims first place."—Union Republican.

The Observer cannot resist the temptation of using the above short but important item as a text to enable it to give some facts to show the possibilities in store for this county when, it more fully than it does now, utilizes its latent sources of wealth. The fact that a factory situated more than three hundred miles from the nearest seaport on the west and some 2,500 miles from the North Atlantic coast on the east, to be reached only by rail, has been able to sell a portion of its textile fabric in a state that is renowned for its textile factories and is located on the North Atlantic seaboard, shows what pluck, energy and integrity can do and has done in Union county, Oregon.

To fully comprehend the pluck it required to attempt to sell Union county Oregon made blankets in Massachusetts it must be remembered that Massachusetts is a great manufacturing state holding the first rank in the manufacture of woolen fabrics with a capital of \$90,128,754 invested in 195 factories which in 1900 gave employment to 1,048 salaried officers and clerks to whom were paid salaries \$1,710,094 and 42,069 wage earners to whom were paid in 1900 \$16,057,849. The incidental expenses of the 195 woolen factories in Massachusetts in 1900 were \$4,019,232, the cost of material used being \$49,120,181 and the value of the product turned out was \$81,041,537.

These figures are given to show what a big interest our little woolen factory tackled when it proposed to sell blankets in Massachusetts. But Massachusetts was not the only competitor for the men who purchase blankets for the Wellesley college are a thrifty set and doubtless extended their inquiries for good and cheap blankets throughout the United States and Europe.

In the United States the collegiates in search of blankets had 1,414 woolen factories to dicker with, all anxious to sell blankets. These had \$310,179,749 capital invested with 4,495 officials and clerks on their pay rolls to whom they paid as salaries in 1900 \$6,455,495. These same factories in 1900, in addition to their officials and clerks had 159,108 laborers to whom they that year paid \$57,933,817. The same year their miscellaneous expenses in operating their factories were \$17,329,932 and they paid out for material used \$181,150,127, making a total outlay for the year of \$262,869,571. For this outlay a product was turned out to the value of \$296,990,484.

If any one will take the trouble to scan the above figures they can but admire the pluck the managers of the Union county factory exhibited in daring to compete with such an enormous capital and skill. It is a marvel that they succeeded; and the fact that they entered the list as competitors shows that they possess not only pluck

to make the effort but energy to assemble in this remote region and operate with skill machinery to do as good work here as can be done anywhere in the world, and integrity to furnish stock in exact accord with their samples and promises.

This incident demonstrates that Oregon can, and strengthens the hope that in the near future it will be a great manufacturing state with Union county at the head.

**ROOSEVELT AND PARKER**

Whether the meeting at College Point, L. I., where Secretary Shaw made his formal opening speech of the campaign was largely attended and enthusiastic or small in point of numbers and cold in appreciation may be learned according to the politics of the paper containing an account of the proceedings. Its size is of small moment. The audience of Secretary Shaw was the whole country, for his speech was sent broadcast, and not thinking man overlooked it. In the course of his speech he said:

"The Republican party, when it came into power, found the Treasury depleted, government credit practically exhausted and no banks under government supervision, and, therefore, no authorized and stable currency as distinguished from coin, in the hands of the people."

If he said no more than that he would have told in it the whole foundation of the financial policy of the republican party. That policy is written in the stability of value of every coin minted and of every promise to pay issued by the United States Government, because of the conservative, the wholesome and the inflexible character of legislation enacted by the republican party where the finances of the country—and, therefore, all substantial interests—were involved, even in the remotest degree.

From 1875, the date of the passage of the resumption act—against which Senator Henry Gassaway Davis, of West Virginia, voted and spoke—there has not been the slightest deviation on the part of the republican party from the safe and solid foundation of a gold standard and a currency redeemable in gold and worth its face value in any country in the world. For continuation of that financial policy the Chicago convention, the republican party and Theodore Roosevelt stand pledged—but what of Parker and the party down whose throat David Bennett Hill crammed him?

As the Commercial Tribune has pointed out, Judge Parker, claiming to be "a sound money man," voted for Bryan in 1896 and in 1900 on a free and unlimited coinage of silver platform, and his partisan loyalty would have induced him to repeat the vote on a similar platform had fate and David Bennett Hill allowed the nomination of Mr. Bryan in 1904.

Not all the telegrams Judge Parker might have wired to St. Louis could write sound money in the democratic party. Neither can Judge Parker, standing on a platform affirming free silver and its unlimited coinage in 1896 and in 1900, and on another in 1904 which is silent with the silence of cowardice on the question. He stands out in marked contrast to Theodore Roosevelt, as his party stands out in marked contrast to the Republican party. By the two men the parties will be judged, equally with the affirmative position of the Republican party on the finances and the skulking evasion of the St. Louis convention and its following.—Commercial Tribune.

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**THE MARKETS**  
(July 30)  
New York—Silver 58 5/8 Union Pacific 95 5-8, Pfd 93 1-2  
Chicago—Sept wheat opened 89 3/8 and 89 5/8 and closed at 90 1-4 barley 42 5/8, flax 1.17 1-2, northwestern \$1.24  
San Francisco—cash wheat \$1.37  
Portland—Wheat Walla Walla 67; Bluestem 72; Valley 75.  
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