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MONEY IN UNITED STATES

In our brief sketch of Joseph A McWhirter we said; when he was a young man in 1858 money was scarce in the United States, since writing that article yesterday the Circulation Statement of the U S Treasury Department showing the amount in the United States on Sept 1 1904, reached the Observer. From it we learn that on that date the general stock of money of all kinds gold, silver, and paper, Aggregated \$2,829,273,316 being an increase from Aug 1904 \$10,562,079 of the increase \$7,463,835 was gold and \$1,955,452 in subsidiary silver the remainder increase was in the U S Bank note.

Of the whole amount of money in stock in the United States on Sept 1, 1904 \$270,993,332 were held on that date in the U S Treasury as assets of the government being less by \$1,128,412 than were so held on Aug 1st.

After deducting the amount held in the treasury on Sept 1st from the general stock in the U S on that date the remainder gives the amount in circulation on that day which is \$2,558,279,984.

The U S Treasury assuming that the population has increased at the same per cent since the census year as before estimates the population of the United States on Sept 1 1904 at 81,098,000 people with this basis the per capita of money in circulation on Sept 1, 1904 is placed at \$31.16 the largest per capita of money in circulation since the government began. The time we said money was scarce in the United State back in the fifties the per capita in circulation was \$12.02 being \$19.14 less now.

Take our imports and exports as an other measure of the time the figures taken from the Monthly Summary of Commerce and Finance for June 1904, and it will be seen that in 1850 the people of the United States were importing merchandise to the value of \$7.48 per capita, and exporting \$6.23 of merchandise per capita, that they were purchasing from abroad \$1.25 per capita more than they sold. In 1903 we sold abroad merchandise to the value of \$17.32 per capita and purchased from abroad \$12.54 worth per capita, but in 1903 we sold abroad \$4.78 more stuff than we bought.

In 1850 the total value of agricultural products exported from the United States was \$105,605,713 In 1903 it was \$873,322,882 In 1850 exported manufactured products to the value of \$17,580,456 and in 1903 to the value of \$407,526,882

RIGHTS OF THE SHERIFF
 In Multnomah and Baker counties the sheriffs have declared that the law prohibiting gambling of all kinds, including slot machines, must be stopped and are carrying their authority into execution. As a result gambling devices of all kinds are going out of business in these two counties. A precedent has been established in these two cases that other sheriffs will, no doubt, follow. They have the authority to stop all such games if they are disposed to do so.—Eugene Register.

The Sir Knight Templers who attend the next conclave, might read "Samantha at Saratoga" with profit

Either General Apathy or a mighty fine bass hole has got a strangle-hold on one Grover Cleveland.

The newspaper fraternity will be pained to learn that carrying radium in the pocket affects the tone and color of diamonds

It is suggested that the messenger boy who delivered that gold telegram ought to be hunted up when Judge Parker visits St Louis for purposes of identification, morely.

One of the first things that Mr Henry James, after an absence of more than a score of years from his native land, did was to step in the New York post office and ask for a three-cent stamp

Because Baker County succeeded in getting away with the panhandle of Union County a few years ago, she need not think she can expand her boundaries any further on the north.

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 With its zinc-covered ridges that sat so snugly in
 And soap bars that got soiled by my children's joy.
 O' times I've sat at her knee when she was washing
 As over the ridges and hills she would rub,
 I never will forget how she washed and the suds
 The old-fashioned washboard that stood in the tub.

CHORUS
 The old-fashioned washboard;
 The old-fashioned washboard;
 The back-breaking washboard that stood in the tub.
 Some folks always keep their old-fashioned washboards,
 And say they wear out their clothes every day;
 But give them to me, and I will have a lot of new
 At home, with the suds of the soap and away.
 I know that the washboard machine is much easier
 On all of our clothes than to take them and rub
 Till the buttons and seams are lost and worn out
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