

# NEW COINS BY CARTLOAD

United States Mint Turns Out More Than A Quarter Billion.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23. — This government made a profit during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1908, of \$10,541,371 on the coinage of silver, nickel and one-cent bronze pieces. This represents the difference between the price paid by the government for the metal and their coinage value. Director of the Mint Frank A. Leach gives these figures in his annual report.

The original deposits of gold bullion in the mints and assay offices during the fiscal year amounted to \$207,415,984 and uncurrent United States gold coin to the face value of \$4,020,668 was received for coinage. Silver bullion purchased for subsidiary silver coinage during the year aggregated 18,819,279 ounces and mutilated and uncurrent United States silver coin, face value of \$1,162,962, was received for recoinage. There was purchased 535,835 ounces of silver bullion for the Philippine government, and the cost, \$298,054, was reimbursed to the United States by that government.

The coinage executed by the mints during the fiscal year 1908 amounted to \$197,338,677 in gold, of which \$106,182,420 was in double eagles of the design prepared by the American sculptor, the late St. Gaudens.

**Big Coinage of Subsidiary Silver.**  
The amount of subsidiary silver coinage executed was \$16,530,477, which is the largest subsidiary silver coinage executed in any one year since 1877, when the government was preparing for the resumption of specie payments by issuing subsidiary coins in redemption of fractional currency. The amount of minor coinage executed was \$1,946,008.

There were coined for the government of the Philippine Islands, 25,003,915 pieces of silver coin and for the government of Mexico, 1,397,291 silver centavo pieces.

**Production of Gold and Silver.**  
The director of the mint estimates the production of gold in the United States during the year 1907 to have been \$90,435,700 and silver for the same period 56,514,700 fine ounces of the value of \$37,299,700 at the average New York price of silver for the calendar year 1907, namely, 66 cents a fine ounce.

The director estimates the production of the precious metals in the world during the calendar year 1907 to have been \$410,565,300 in gold and 185,014,623 fine ounces of silver, of the commercial value of \$122,090,000 at the average price of silver for the year. The increased production of silver for 1907 over that of 1906 was 19,260,000 fine ounces.

**Consumption of Precious Metals.**  
The consumption of the precious metals in the United States in the industrial arts during the calendar year 1907 is estimated in gold \$40,720,070 and in silver 24,369,784 fine ounces. Of the gold consumed in the arts the sum of \$33,549,495 was new material and \$7,175,575 in old. Of the silver used in the arts 22,137,243 fine ounces were new material, 2,232,541 fine ounces old.

Total receipts of the mint service during the fiscal year 1908 amounted to \$10,942,900.

The stock of gold coin in the United States June 30 last is estimated at \$1,535,169,328; silver coins, \$715,615,595, including \$568,259,812 in silver dollars, gold bullion held by the treasury, \$79,971,247 and the silver bullion (coast value) \$7,979,000. The stock of gold coin in the world January 1 last is estimated at \$7,014,600,000; silver coin, \$3,530,700,000 and the uncovered paper \$4,302,500,000.

### Land Opening.

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# DUCK HUNTER A NEAR JONAH

GIANT WHALE VISITS MASSACHUSETTS SPORTSMAN AND SWALLOWS DECOY, CAUSING GREAT COMMOTION AMONG COLONY.

BARNSTABLE, Mass., Dec. 23.—Probably there is no man who has more respect for a whale, even if it did dine on ten of his wood decoys, than William F. Hallett, who has a camp on Sandy Neck. He relates the following story of an experience that put gray hairs on his head and made fifteen minutes seem like four hours one morning while out shooting on the back of Cape Cod.

Mr. Hallett said he went out just before daylight in the morning and put out about thirty decoys, all wood. He thought he was about a mile or a mile and a half from the beach, in about twenty feet of water. The wind was light, with no sea. Just as the sun came up he saw a black whale following the shore down from Plymouth point, about the same distance from the shore as he was. He thought nothing about it, as the birds had commenced to fly and the gunning was good.

The next thing he knew the whale came up and was blowing about one hundred yards off. The great creature lay a few minutes on the water, looking around, first at him and then at the bunch of decoys. Mr. Hallett said it was no doubt thinking which would make the best starter for breakfast.

Mr. Hallett said to his best judgment the whale was about eighty feet long and fifteen feet across the back and had a large hump on its head about half way from the blowhole to the nose that was a light gray color.

During the time the whale was sizing up Mr. Hallett and his outfit he was circling around the boat slowly. Hallett said he did not dare to make a move to haul in the anchor and try to row away as he thought if the whale saw him move it would be more likely to take after him, so he sat low in the bottom of the skiff with his hair standing on end, expecting that every minute would be the last, as the whale seemed to take more notice of him than it did of the decoys.

After the whale had made three turns around the outfit it backed off and made a dash for the bunch of woods with its mouth open. The whale sucked down ten of the pine woods, lines and all. After it apparently tried to swallow one that had got stuck in its throat the whale seemed to get angry and lay on the water and thrashed its tail until the water was like a boiling vat.

Mr. Hallett was kept busy bailing as the spray from the tail and flukes flew all over him. About the time that Hallett thought he would have to give up, as his boat was low in the water and one or two more sweeps of the mighty tail would send him to the bottom, the whale turned around until headed off toward Provincetown. Then it went as straight as a string and as fast as a steamboat out of sight.

Mr. Hallett said that he did not stop to pick up any of the woods that were left—he just pulled in the anchor and rowed for the beach. He said he had read stories about shipwrecked sailors being happy to reach land but none could be compared with the way he felt when he jumped out on the beach and looked off to the north and saw that great body rushing through the water toward the open sea, and knowing there were ten wooden decoys as freight taking up the space that a few minutes before the chances were, he would be selected to fill.

Mr. Hallett said he will not go gunning on the back side any more no matter how thick the birds are.

### IS \$261 TOO MUCH FOR CUTTING APPENDIX?

IOWA FALLS, Ia., Dec. 23. — "What is it worth to have a doctor cut out your appendix when it needs it?" This is a rather curious question just raised in the Iowa courts, and promises to put a legal aspect on the proper charge for cutting out one's appendix. The action grows out of a charge made by an Iowa doctor of \$261 for an appendix removal from the defendant's wife. The husband, who is made defendant in this action, claims he paid the doctor \$150, and says that is sufficient for such an action. The surgeon thinks otherwise, and hence this action at law to determine just what the proper charge is in this now fashionable surgical skill.

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### BACHELORS "WORSE THAN RUM HELLIONS."

Noted Woman Temperance Lecturer Startles Audience By Furious Attack Upon Single Men.

LYNN, Mass., Dec. 23. — Mrs. Leonora Lake, of St. Louis, one of the leading temperance lecturers of the country, who spoke at a big no-license rally here nearly created a panic among 2,000 ardent temperance reformers when she announced from the platform that she had changed her mind about drink being the worst evil of the country and denounced bachelorhood as being the worst and bachelors as being worse than the "hellions who run drink dives." A storm of hisses greeted her words, but Mrs. Lake kept right manfully to her task.

"It is the bachelor who is today 'the greatest evil in America,'" she said. "It is the bachelor who fosters the rum evil and who spends his time in the dives. It is the habits he learns as a bachelor that ruin him as a married man. Reformers should drop the rum evil and give their attention to this crying need—more husbands."

### CHECK ON ELOPEMENTS.

Proposed Law Requiring Advance Notice of Marriage.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 23.—If a bill now being framed by Judge A. W. Frater of the superior court becomes a law, the eloping industry with young people who have not attained legal age will receive a severe jolt. The judge completed the first draft of the measure this morning. The striking section is that which provides that two week's notice must be filed with the county auditor by parents or guardians of applicants for marriage licenses and that these notices must be made of record in the county in which the bride elect resides. Judge Frater expects that the newspapers will give publicity to the applicants for licenses as they do to licenses issued.

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