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THE OURRENCY QUESTION.

England's answer to the proposals of our traveling bimetallic are putting the same high value on our solitude to compel surrender has made. okee case, but the state disregarded the commission is Accisive. There markets that we ourselves in the Ding- The Cubans are either fit for self-gov- decision, and President Jackson re- and nourish. respecting silver coinage. The of making war on us, they are for the liberal autonomy of Canada, they cision; now let him enforce it." But whole question, therefore, in so far as America is concerned, reverts to mutual benefit. The reciprocity clause come with independence, it will come coln in 1861 and during subsequent the proposition on which the last of the new law promises to be one of its quite as quick with autonomy maincampaign was fought. If the most useful features. Great Britain tained in the presence of a Spanish army preme court, notably in the Merryman Financier, desires to enlarge the sions in the West Indies. Sir Wilfrid in Cuban blood. Nobody can, no or have been many signs of disagreements functions of silver, she must work Laurier is now in Washington willing will decide this question save the Ou- and dissatisfaction with the court. It on the problem independently. to discuss terms for increased trade bans themselves, for Spain cannot force took the federal military army to enforce As the attempt to do so failed by- between Canada and the United States. any scheme of autonomy upon a reluc- its injunction in the Pullman case, and tween 1878 and 1890, and again France desire to negotiate a reciprocity tant people, and the United States has at the last election nearly half of the between 1890 and 1893, there is treaty, and Peru does also. It is not neither the right nor the inclination to voters of the country, by upholding the little hope that fresh efforts would too much to say, indeed, that the do more than tender Ouba her good Chicago platform, virtually rebuked the result in anything but disaster. United States has only to show a wil- offices in this matter. Since 1893 the demonetization of silver has become world-wide. The South American republice are discarding the motel, Sapan has gone to the gold standard, and even China is beginning to feel the effect of a debased currency. What hope is there, then, that the United States can create a stable ratio through the free minting not only of her own product, but that of the whole world as well? The idea, on its face, is prepesterous, and is not to be cutentained for a moment.

But will the agitation for free coinage cease, now that the fate of silver, through the legic of events, seems sealed? We believe not, for the reason that the loudest salvocates of free silver do net care especially for the opening of the mints to a product in which they are not interested. They represent an element of discontent in our social life that will never be eradicated, but they delude with plausible arguments a great mass of people who are honestly seeking relief from burdens which they attribute to monetary mistakes. It is these people who must be reached if the free-silver bereay is to be killed. Arguments alone bampered to some extent through the action of our currency laws, but not in the way of restricted silver coinage as much as in the dack of elasticity in our note currency. Of course no human enactment short of a general distribution of visible wealth can put them in a position of absolute independence, but they do not want that They are asking, merely, a means of equitable relief under which their daily transactions may be expanded to the largest limit possible, without imposing unjust burdens on others. The remedy then appears to rest in congressional action which shall give to every community facilities for dealing in local credats -in other words, to place within reach of all deserving persons, no matter what may be their geographical location, the means of satisfying their wants, on a safe and equitable basis. A freer banking law, under the strict administration of the government, would silver malady innocuous. It cause it removes the source of the

THE SECRETARY of the treasury has is sued a circular letter to employee which is full of good common sense. The letter provides that clerks who receive stated salaries must pay debts contracted for the necessary emport of themselves and families, or sles give a good reason for not doing so, failing to do which they will be discharged .- Rogue River Courrier.

WE HAVE received a copy of the electionlaws of Oregon with the compli ments of the Secretary of State Kincaid. This has just been issued under Mr. Kincaid's direction and gives full informention about the time and manner of electing officers in this state.

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RECIPROCITY PROSPECTS.

will be no international agreement ley law have put upon them. Instead ernment or they are not; if they are fit marked: "Marshall has made his de-United States, says the New York invokes in the interest of her posses- whose hands are red up to the elbews case. And even in recent years there lingues on the subject to extend her trade by means of reciprocity on ad-

PROFESSORS AND POSTAL BANKS.

Simply as an expression from me who are trained to deal with problems and to form their opinions from conviction, the opinions of the fourteen profeseage of Northwestern university to whom a postal savings bank petition was presented are of interest. Each of them gave his indorsement to the project and apparently took pleasure in doing as. Just as the laboring men approved the plan from a keen personal sense of its need; just as business men have indereed it as the best available means of promoting contentment and thus foreignding agitations unfavorable to steady growt's in trade, the college men approve it as a theory sound in the abstract and practicable in its application to the conditions of the time.

The Northwestern university faculty is representative, in its personnel, o many educational institutions of high class throughout the country. It is not unressonable to suppose that an actual of the educators in the country would take the same view.

In the light of this general conviction Maong all classes as to the merits of postal banks, how long will it be before the eyetem is regarded by the people ot as merely an advantage but as cessity of modern social and economic

FOR BALE OR EXCHANGE.

house is 16 by 24 feet and one story and \$168,600,000. It the scheme of autonomy a half in height. Also a good woodshed be accepted, this Cuban debt, existing on premiees. For further particulars prior to the present war, would probably inquire at this office.

SHOULD BE ONE.

The Oregonian's facetique allusion to ders a debt of nearly \$500,000,000, which the lack mueical instrument at the would be a greater burden per capita penitentiary recalls to mind the fact by a least three times than is borne by that there is one lack at that perhaps the people of France. otherwise perfectly supplied institution which is to serious to jest about. There would fairly argue that it would be is no matron to look after the physical cheaper to hold out for independence do this. It would also render the welfare of the woman prisoners. Com- than accept such a debt-ridden autonman decency in this civilised age de- omy; for, in event of absolute independseems to us that the solution of mande jail and prison matrons. The ence, she would probably repudiate all the question will be found along neglect to provide such an officer at responsibility for Spanish debts, past such a line of action, simply be- the penitentiary will, it is hoped be and present. Even with full control of remedied at the next session of the the tariff and taxation conceded by legislature, if it cannot be done before, Spain, Cuba would carry a debt that

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IN JUSTICE COURT.

Jared Scott was arrested and brought before Justice Wilson a few days ugo, charged with seeask on James Dick.

Upon hearing the evidence Justice about \$5 and costs amounting to more, and accordingly gave Scott his thoire between paying that sum going to jail for seven days. He de-clined to pay the fine and Constable Tauner took him to Eugene last Friday.

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INDEPENDENCE OR DEATH.

The Dingley law is only about four The answer of the leaders of the Cu- Instice Field is quoted as saying remonths old. It has not had time to ban rebellion to the very liberal scheme cently that "all of our decisions have not justify itself as a revenue producer, of autonomy proposed by Spain is, met with the universal approval of the owing to the heavy anticipatory imports "Independence or death." The trouble American people, yet it is to the glory during the time that congress was giv- with the Spanish conversion to reason of the people that they have always and ing it final shape, but its provisions and liberality is that it comes too late, everywhere yielded a willing obedience

wantageous terms in nearly any direttendered the insurgents. Nevertheless, the decisions of the supreme court. the present outlook gives small hope of the pacification of Cuba upon any terms THE MICKS 1898 ALMANSC & PAPER. short of independence, for Spain, which clearly cannot conquer Cuba, will be compelled ultimately to concede independence to an island she has almost made into a desert, and which, never theless, cries, Independence or death." The United States has done her full duty with singular tact and discretion. We had a right to insist on peace in Ouba for our valuable trade. We had a right to insist that war be carried on with the methods of enlightened civilised warfare and with reasonable respect to American interests. We are bound to enforce our neutral obligations, and we have a right, when war is hopeless, to propose mediation, but we have no right, and will not assume the right, to decide the question for the acceptance of autonomy

If Spain should consent to grant Cuba would demand a heavy war indemnity of at least \$100,000,000 as the price of it Oubs is a desert today, and could not afford to agree to the imposition of so terrible a burden upon 1,400,000 people, a debt that would amount to \$71 per capits. This enormous indemnity would afflict Cubs with a greater debt, in proportion to the rent-producing capacity of the lands and the number of her people, than is carried by Ohile, Columbia and the Argentine Republic. In 1891 the A house and lot in Glenads. The consolidated debt of Cuba amounted to be assumed by the new home-rule government, but if Spain should add the \$300,000,000 of debt incurred by her during the present insurrection, Cube would have to carry on her impoverished shoul-

Under these circumstances, Cuba would forbid all chance of happy and prosperous home rule. The new Cuban president is an uncompromising enemy to Spain, and during his two years of office any arrangement between the Cuban and Spanish governments is hopeless, as he wields a decisive influeace over the army from General Gomes down to the last soldier. The outlook, from the point of sound policy as well as embittered sentiment, is that Cuba will be sure to spurn the offer of antonomy, even with the concession of the right to regulate its own tariff laws, the denial of which would be fatal to the whole scheme of autonomy. Cuba will certainly hold out until our congrees meets, when she will doubtless secure the recognition of her belligerency, and with that concession she will able to dely Spain and ultimately extort

THE SUPREME COURT.

Portend Welcom have been clear from the day it was sign- When England granted Oanada en- to them." The sentimental statement ed by the president, and foreign coun- larged home rule, after the brief rebell- is not quite true historically. In 1806 tries are fully advised as to its bearing ion of 1837 she did not do it on the President Jefferson refused to obey the and significance. Is there single sign of a heels of a terrible war of three years supreme court's order to appear and tariff war against the United States on such as has desolated Oubs, filled her testify as a witness in the Burr treason the horizon? Is there not, on the con- territory with fire, slaughter, and finally case. In 1832 the supreme court render- God. trary, a sign of commercial good-will in famine, and lift the indelible vindictive- ed a decision affecting the state of every direction? Foreign governments ness that Weyler's policy of creating a Georgia, in what is known as the Cherovertures to trade with us on terms of are fit for independence. If anarchy will it was never enforced. President Linsupreme court. The celebrated Dred Had Weyler's remorseless but utterly Scott decision was hated and spat upon ineffective warfare continued, we should by half the country, and public opinion have been compelled, as a matter of self- has frequently been loud and open in interest, to intefere; we have by our criticism of the court's decisions. The courteous but firm remonstrance with "Welcome" isn't saying that the court Spain, secured the release of the Amer - in any of these cases was wrong; but can prisoners; we have effected an Justice Fields is very forgetful of hisamelioration in the Spanish methods of tory and even of passing events when warfare, Weyler has been recalled, and he says that the people have always a liberal scheme of autonomy has been merkly and uncomplainingly bowed to

We are informed that the 1898 almanac of Prof. Irl R. Hicks is now ready. and judging from its past history, it will not be many weeks in finding its way into homes and offices all over America. It is much larger and finer than any previous issue. It contains 116 pages is splendidly printed and illustrated on fine book paper, having the finest porrait ever given of Prof. Hicks. It can no longer be denied that the publications of Prof. Hicks have become a necessity to the family and commercial life of this country. His journal, "Word and Works, aside from its storm, weather and astronomical features, has take rank with the best literary, ecientific and family magazines of the age. Do not believe hearsay and reports. See the Hicks almanac and paper for yourso popular. They are educators of the millions, and unrivaled safeguards to property and human life. It is matter of simple record that Prof. Hicks has foretold for many years all great storins, floods, drouths and tornadoes, even the recent terrible drouth over all the country. The almanac alone is 25 cents a copy. The paper is \$1.00 a year with the almanac as a premium. Send to

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TO PREVENT SHIPWRECK.

The inefficiency of the human ear in locating sounds has been ludicrously demonstrated by the inaccurate efforts of a blindfolded person to tell from which direction sounds come. In the case of fog a sea this difficulty has become a serious mutter. This at last primises to be overcome by the ingenious instrument known as the "cophone." This instrument consists of a vane mounted on a vertical rod. On either side of this vane is a sound receiver, from which a tube leads to one his soul is stiff his own, his inner life of the ears of an observer located in a is still undisturbed; no indiscreet room below. Each convex surface of the vane acts as a reflector to its own eceiver and as a screen to the other one. The rod carrying this vane can be rotated by means of a hand wheel. and to use it the observer turns the vane around tifl the sound investigated is heard in one ear only. The motion is then reversed till the sound it heard in the other ear only, when the direction from which the said sound proceeds will be about midway between the two positions. The device in question has been installed aboard the United States steamship Indiana and thoroughly tested by a committee appointed for the

ditorial column on Binger Hermann, among other things says that "few men in the United States are better fitted for the presidency than Binger Hermann, and he may be given a seat in the United States senate at no distant

Literary. (ORIGINAL AND ERLECTED.)

God has placed the gentus of women in their hearts; because the works of this genius are always works of love. Let the farmer for evermore be honred in his calling, for they who labor in the earth are the chosen people

Antithesis may be the blossom of wit.

but it will never arrive at maturity unless sound sense be the trunk, and Though all afflictions are evils in

and tend to our cure. The vices of old age have the stiffness ef it too; and as it is the unfittest time to learn it, so the unfitness of it to un-

earn will be found much greater. Remember you have not a sinew whose law o's rength is not action; you have not a faculty of body, mind, or soul, whose law of improvement is net

If there is ever a time to be ambitious, it is r t when ambition is easy, but when it is hard. Fight in darkness; fight when you are down; die hard, and you won't die at a'l.

Nobilit of hirth de s not always insure a correst ading nobility of mind; if it did, it would always act as a stimulus to noble actions; but it semetimes acts as a clog rather than a spur.

Where ambition can be so barpy as t over its enterprises, even to the person in meelf, under the appearance of principle, it is the mest incarable and innexible of all human passions.

To love all markind, from the great est to the lowest (or meanest,) a cheer ful state of being is required; but order to see into mankind, into life, and, still more, into ourselves, suffering

labor. When it absorbs therebt allence and strength that might have tern seriously employed, it loses its distinctive character, and becomes the taskmaste: of idleness.

It is the appearances that fill the scene; and we pause not to ask of what realities they are the proxies. When the actor of Athens moved all hear nto broken sobs, how few then knew ast it held the ashes of his son.

If adversity hath killed his thousands, resperity bath killed his ten thousands; therefore adversity is to be preferred. The one deceives, the other structs; and therefore many philosophers have voluntarily sought adversity and so much commended it in their Eugene.

We are apt to rely upon future pros pects, and become really expensive while we are only rich in possibility. We live up to our expectations, not to our possessions, and make a figure proportionable to what we may be, not what we are. We outrun our present income, as not doubting to disburse ourselves out of the profits of some future place, project or reversion that we have in view.

Each under his borrowed guise the actor belongs to himself. He has put on a mast, beneath it his real face still exists; he has thrown himself into a foreign individuality, which in some sense forms a shelter to the integrity of of his own character; he may indeed wear feetive attire, but his mourning is beneath it; he may smile, divert, act, question will lift the wail, no course hand burst open the gates of the sanctuary.

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