

"AS FOR SILVER."

The Bankers Magazine, in an article on our "Next Congress," says: "As for silver, while this will doubtless prove a subject for continual discussion, we question if anything is done, unless it be a law for the suspension of silver coinage at some considerable distance in the future—one, two, three, four or five years, or when a certain amount is reached. Possibly a compromise between the two parties may be made on such a basis. Otherwise nothing is likely to be done."

This, says an exchange, is all this foremost leader(?) of financial wisdom has to say on the silver question, and of the duty of the present congress in dealing with it. It is astounding that a journal of the standing of the Bankers Magazine, could, in the face of the present facts in favor of bimetallism, utter such inane sentiments. It simply shows a total lack of comprehension of the subject.

We should like to ask this Ancient, what would have been the condition of the circulating medium, and consequently of the business of the country to-day, if we had not coined the \$247,000,000 in silver dollars that are now in circulation? We should have had not one dollar more gold in the country than we now have—and, therefore, we should have had \$247,000,000 less money in circulation than we now have, unless the greenback or national bank circulation had been increased by that sum. Does this Ancient advise contracting the money volume \$247,000,000, or any other sum, in order to increase the prosperity of the nation? It is a fact patent to every business man that our money volume is not large enough now, even could we keep it at \$25 per capita, which we cannot, unless we coin silver dollars twice as fast as we are now. The national banks have contracted their circulating notes \$65,000,000 during the present year. The greenbacks are a fixed quantity and by law are neither diminished or increased. We are coining silver at the rate of \$25,000,000, and about as much more in gold. But the amount of gold and silver coined is not equal to the amount of bank notes destroyed. Here then we have a contraction of the money volume going on every day, in the face of an increasing demand. The national banks have yet \$69,000,000 in 3 per cent. bonds deposited as security for their circulation—and these will be called in and cancelled during the coming year, so that the contraction of currency from this source is to continue. But this is not all. Our population is increasing at the rate of 3,000,000 a year, and in order to provide \$25 per capita for such increased population we need to add \$75,000,000 to our money volume each year. In the face of such facts what is to be thought of the financial wisdom (?) that would recommend the stoppage of our silver coinage?

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Water Street Improvement. NOTICE is hereby given that the Common Council of the city of Astoria propose to order the improvement of that portion of Water street in the city of Astoria, Clatsop County, Oregon as laid out and recorded by J. M. Shively from the east side of West Sixth street to the east side of Salmon street by extending the same by piling, capping and planing the same to a width of thirty feet through the center thereof, said improvement to be made to a height of 19 feet above the base of grades, and unless a remonstrance signed by the owners of two thirds of the property fronting on said portion of said street be filed with the Auditor and Clerk within ten days of the final publication of this notice, viz: Wednesday, January 19, 1887, the Common Council will order said improvement to be made. By order of the Common Council. Attest: F. S. JEWETT, Auditor and Clerk. Astoria, Oregon, December 29th, 1886.

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