The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON:

FRIDAY ... GEEENBACKS AND SILVER CER TIFICATES.

Toward the close of the first session of the 49th congress, General Weaver, of Iowa, who is the greenback champion, got a provision inserted in the sundry civil bill that no money appropriated for the bureau of engraving and printing "be expended for printing United States notes oflarge denominations in lieu of notes of small denominations cancelled or retired." Into the same bill Mr. Bland, the champion of the silver dollar, got a provision inserted "requiring" the secretary of the treasury to sissue silver certificates in denominations of one, two and five dollars."

In the end both the Weaver and the Bland propositions became law. Recently General Weaver, seeing silver certificates going out, thought that he discovered that the treasury had disobeyed his particular provision about greenbacks. It he had tions cancelled or retired." "Large denominations" run from denominations" from twenties to ones and twos. The treasurer, in whose charge this matter of printing is, could have told him that no money had been spent in violation of Mr. Weaver's clause. . On the other hand, while Gen.

Weaver is unhappy Mr. Bland is rejoicing. His small silver certificates are a great success. There is a great demand for them, and the Bland clause "requires" the treasurer to supply this de-

It is a fact that since the issue of small silver certificates began not a human being, sending in notes for cancellation, has demanded small greenbacks. When hanks or any other persons send notes to the treasurer for cancellation they specify what kind of money and in what denominations they want it returned; and as gold silver, greenbacks and silver notes are all alike issued by act of congress, the treasury cannot refuse to give a man what he wants. Now it happens, greatly to Mr. Bland's joy, but to the chagrin of General Weaver, that everybody wants and asks for silver certifi-

If anybody should ask for General Weaver's one and two dollar greenbacks he would get them, for a sufficient store of them is on hand. The treasury is obliged to keep on hand a stock of greenbacks of all denomintions. When notes come in for cancellation other notes are printed and put in stock, but, as the public demand is met by the treasury, it may and Cleveland. Of the Republicans, does happen that the notes thus printed are not immediately issued, 76 prefer Blaine. because they are not wanted by anybody. Thus at present greenbacks are sent in for cancellation and small silver certificates are asked for in their place.

General Weaver's complaint lies, therefore, not against the treasury, but against the public taste. His quarrel is with the people, who ask for Mr. Biand's silver certificates and turn up their noses at General Weaver's greenbacks. He has, however, a remedy in his power. He may introduce and persuade congress to pass a law compelling everybody to take small greenbacks, whether they want them or not; and if he will add to such a measure a penalty of \$1,000 fine and a year's imprisonment for every refusal to accept his small greenbacks, that might prove effective.

Or he may bring in a bill to be obtained at 11 cents per pound.

stop the issue of the Bland small silver certificates. Small bills of some kind are wanted, and while P. R. R. by building a road to Asthe public seems at present to prefer one and two dollar silver certificates to one and two dollar view. greenbacks, no doubt if he can stop the issue of the Bland silver notes, he will create a demand for his small greenbacks.

The melancholy truth is that Mr. Bland outgeneraled General Weaver, and the general is sore about it. He has had consultations with the speaker and other people about his grievance; and he has been told, so he reports, that the president will order the treasury to issue one and two dollar greenbacks. If that means anything it would mean an order to force people to take them, which is absurd. The general's true way is to stop private consultations, because some of the members of congress whom he consults go away and laugh at him; and to take his grievance into the house and make it unpleasant for Mr. Bland and the people of the United States, who are clearly in a "combine" against him.

As a matter of fact, what the gone to the secretary or treasurer people of the U.S. want is more they would have explained to money, and they are ready to take him that he was mistaken, and it in silver dollars, coin certificates that they have not disobeyed or and greenbacks. The miats could violated the law. Gen. Weaver's with great propriety, be set to provision reads: . "That no por- coining all the gold and silver we tion of this sum shall be expend- produce, that the people may prosed for printing United States per. We only have \$25 per capnotes of large denominations in ita in money in the U. S., while lieu of notes of small denomina- France has \$52 per capita. Our population is increasing at the rate of three millions per year, requirfifties to one thousands; "small ing 75 millions of dollars increase sn the money volume each year, merely to keep up our present

> DURING the year ending 31st January, 1887, there emigrated from the United Kungdom 6,341 persons of English birth, 1,325 Irish, 1,103 Scotch, 1,557 foreign-ers, and 348 of unknown national-lefts bark Jupiter, from Panama, while ity, a grand total of 10,674, being about 1,000 in excess of the emigrants for the preceding year. Of the number, 6,121 went to the United States, 370 to Canada 2,-873 to Australasia, and 1,290 to "all other places."

making a record of 5 days 23 hours minutes, which was made in Auto date. The distance covered was 3,250 statute miles, from Queenstown to New York, giving an average of 22.73 miles an hour.

THERE is a Democratic judge in Texas who wants the legislature of that state to declare that no citizen is bound to obey the "pretended authority" of the United States senate in the matter of the alleged outrages in that state. It is reported that the legislature is undecided what to do about the

Or the Democrats in the Massachusetts legislature, seventy-four have expressed their preference with regard to the presidency in 1888, and fifty-six of them favor 128 have been heard from, of whom

DEMOCRATIC members of congress and others who have access to the president and by that means have a knowledge of the subject, do not believe that there is any possibility of an extra session of congress now.

THE Labor party of Chicago proposes to be the first in the field with its candidates for city offices and to nominate a full ticket from mayor down. The election occurs April 5th.

clerks and copyists in Wall street, because they can be trusted better season of 87: Women are very popular as because they can be trusted better than the ambitious male employes not to give away "points."

It is stated that during the late war copper was worth from 60 to 75 cents per pound, while now it can

THE Oregonian is unable to see any accruing advantage to the N. toria. In these matters a good deal depends upon the point of

BEN. PERLEY POORE says that every president who called an extra session of congress failed to secure a renomination. Ben for gets Abraham Lincoln.

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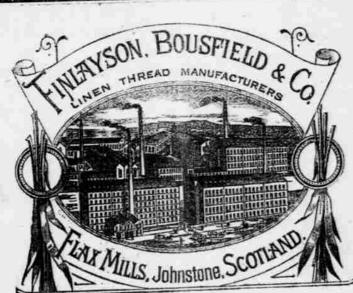
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