Suits
—to-measure,
$35==

THE only way to fit a man is to first find out just what kind of a man you have to fit—that's just what we do take your measure exact—and cut the suit for you—and it must fit, or we'll keep 'em.

—tailoring

—exclusively.

CHAS. McDONALD,
The Tailor.
523 Commercial Street.

Few Men Would Ask for a Finer Dinner

than those we serve. We're trying in every way to make them the most enjoyable in town. All the "good things" of the season—cooked by our excellent cook—in the most delicious style. Perfect service.

If you invite a friend to the Palace Restaurant the place is a sufficient guarantee that he will receive a good meal.

The Palace Restaurant

Sterling Silver!

Never has there been such a stock of sterling silver jewelry as that now on display at our store. Half the town does not realize the immensity of this assortment.

EXSTROM, the Jeweler.

ASTORIA -
MATTRESS
- FACTORY,
378 Commercial Street.
—O—
Manufacturers of every description of Lounges, Mattresses, etc.

REPAIRING IN ALL ITS BRANCHES

When the tide sets one way there is always a cause for it.

Women don't come here to buy roasts steaks, and all other kinds of meat simply because it's Christensen & Co.'s.

Of course there are a few, a very few, who buy out of compliment, or from ignorance, but the great mass of housekeepers buy where they can get the best and for that reason we supply the majority of the families in Astoria for they know by experience that we have only the best.

WASHINGTON MEAT MARKET,
CHRISTENSEN & CO., Prop'rs.

Hundreds of business and professional men are now coming to our place—

"THE RESORT"

Daily. Why? Because they can at any time, day or night, call for a sandwich here and get it.

We expected to be mobbed for these sandwaches and our fresh 5 cent beer when the railroad comes.

Grosbauer & Brach.

Dalgity Iron Works,

General Machinist and Boiler Works.

All kinds of Cannery, Ship, Steamboat and Engine Work of any Description. Castings of all kinds made to order.

Foot of Lafayette St., Astoria, Or.

A Poor Cigar

—— W. F. SCHIEBE never made. Don't expect to make, either. But marke this—s-a-t-i-s-f-a-c-t-i-o-n of the 22-karet sort has accompanied every purchase of one of the cigars made by him since he began business. We've got the notion that a satisfied customer "cuts a big figure" in building up a business. That's the reason La Belle Astoria takes so well.

ROSS HIGGINS & CO.

Grocers, : and : Butchers

Astoria and Upper Astoria.

Ine Teas and Coffees, Table Delicacies, Domestic and Tropical Fruits, Vegetables, Sugar Cured Hams, Bacon, Etc.

Choice - Fresh - and - Salt - Meats.

White Kid Slippers!
White Kid Oxfords!
White Canvas Oxfords!

In buying these goods from us for graduation exercises one can be suited here just as well as though they had sent to San Francisco and had the goods made for them.

JOHN HAHN & CO.

The U. S. Gov't Reports show Royal Baking Powder superior to all others.

WHAT ABOUT

OUR SHOES?

Aren't they worn out around the sole somewhere? Don't they need a patch on the side? We will make them good as new.

S. A. GIMBRE,

Kitty Corner From Fisher Bros. Store

F. KROSEL,

420 Commercial Street.
Fresh Candy Made Every Day.
FARM PRODUCTS BOUGHT AND SOLD.
Butter, Eggs, Cheese and all kinds of Fruit in Season.

Cigars, tacco and Groceries.

Special Prices
— ON —
Children's Straw Hats!

$1.00, 85c, 75c. Reduced to 50c.

ALBERT DUNBAR.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Try Smith's ice cream.

Fresh strawberries at Smith's today.

Sweet cream at Smith's 20 cents pint.

Don't use a plaster, but take Rogers' Kidney Cure for lame back.

DON'T PASS BY—But step into Jeff's and try one of those 25c meals.

POSTAGE STAMP DEPOT—H. Jeldness, No. 613 Commercial street.

A FEW LEFT—Of those 25c meals at Joe Tarp's; try one; 120 11th street.

THE SPA—Colman's old stand, is the place for fresh candies and ice cream.

THE SAME PLACE -118 12th street is the place to buy fresh fish every day.

GRAND OPENING—Of all kinds of foreign novelty goods, at 566 Commercial street.

T. E. Schultz, frescoe and scenic artist, with B. F. Allen, 365 Commercial Street.

If you want a bottle of Joy's Sarsaparilla, go to the Printz-Crain Drug Store for it.

WANTED—People to call at the Scow Bay Wood Yard and learn the prices on wood.

The Palace Barber Shop is now giving one of their two-bit shaves for 15 cents.

Our milk is guaranteed strictly pure and fresh from the cow daily. Reith & Wilson.

The Palace Bath House encourages folks to bathe by having everything first class.

PAT LAWLER & CO.—Fine line of canned goods and fresh fish, 574 Commercial street.

YOUR TURN NEXT—To get one of the finest cigars for the least money. No. 459 12th street.

GRAEFE & HAINKE—No. 628 Commercial street, will repair your clothes for little money. Try them.

WORLD'S FAIR SALOON—Keeps the finest line of liquors and cigars in the city. Call and sample them.

FOR FINE DENTAL WORK—Go to Dr. Howard, No. 589 Commercial street. Removed from Astor House.

If your watch don't run, call at 574 Commercial street, across from Shanahan Bro.' and have it repaired.

DON'T FORGET—That at Nos. 214 and 216 Tenth street is the place to have your horse shod and repair work done.

Smith's ice cream is unequalled. Ice cream soda a specialty. Private parlors for ladies. Commercial street.

DROP IN—Next door to McLean's Blacksmith Shop and get prices on all kinds of carpenter work. A. Paulsen.

WE HAVE IT—The place to get a 25-cent meal for 15 cents, only white labor employed, at 694 Commercial street.

WAH SING & CO.—Merchant tailors, 635 Commercial street, cheaper than you can buy ready made. New stock complete.

RAILROAD SURE—If W. T. Beveridge cannot suit you with cigars and tobacco on Commercial street, he can on 11th street

A SURE THING—That you can get fruit and candy for less money than anywhere else at M. Moulter's, on Bond street.

STOP—At the Horse Shoe Chop House and try one of those 15 cent meals, same as you pay 25 cens for elsewhere, 546 Commercial street.

Will spend the summer in Astoria, one of Portland's most artistic dressmakers, late from Chicago. Patronage solicited. Look for card later.

JUST RECEIVED At 615 Commercial street, fine line of extension tables, center tables, lounges, and kitchen treasures. J. G. Ross, proprietor.

If you want a bicycle repaired or a lock fixed, or any other first-class work done, call on C. H. Orkwitz, next door to Martin Olsen's Auction House.

L. I. JOHNSON—Opposite Central Hotel, will kindly thank the public for a share of its trade. Fresh strawberries by every morning's steamer. Prices to suit.

What cows received first premium at the World's Fair for producing the richest milk? Jersey cows, and those are the only kind that J. A. Rowan sells milk from.

No better milk was ever brought to Astoria than is furnished for five cents a quart by Reith & Wilson, and delivered in a clean and tightly closed glass bottle at your door every morning.

Arrived—Mrs. Zwemer, trance medium. Can be consulted on all affairs of life. Call at Mrs. M. A. Hall's residence, 361 Exchange street, old Ross residence. Circles every Tuesday and Friday night at 8 o'clock.

What brings people back to the Astoria Wood Yard after they have sounded the possibilities everywhere else? May be it's one thing, and May be it's another. But the fact remains—back they come. And of course the Astoria Wood Yard is proud of it.

Mothers raising their babes on the bottle will have fat, strong and healthy babies by using J. A. Rowan's Jersey milk, as he makes a specialty of milk for babies and the sick. Try him and be happy.

Business men of Astoria visiting Portland have for years been accustomed to take their mid-day lunch at the "Gem." The "Gem" is now located at 73 Third street, next door to the Ainsworth Bank. Jos. E. Penny.

What is the use of having a "human form divine" unless you care for it, and drape it and clothe it so as to make it a source of joy to yourself and a pride to your friends? Nature supplies the form. A. Lake, the tailor at 359 Commercial street will make the raiment. See him.

EYES—Two hard-woking servants—Yet quickest to rebel when over-worked. Glasses—the right ones—scientifically, delicately adjusted ones—the remedy. The ability that experience and study gives can be had at J. H. Seymour's. Charges—only for glasses—are modest.

CHAMBER SETS

At your own price at Foard & Stoke Co.'s.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

Local weather for the twoney-four hours ending at 5 p. m. yesterday, furnished by the United States department of agriculture weather bureau:

Maximum temperature, 71 degrees.
Minimum temperature, 55 degrees.
Precipitation, none.
Total precipitation from September 1st, 1894, to date, 73.77 inches.
Excess of precipitation from September 1st, 1895, to date, 5.77 inches.

AROUND TOWN.

Fresh candies every hour at the Bonbonniere.

Born, to the wife of Th. Olsen, the 17th of June, a girl.

Best ice cream and ice cream soda in the city at the Bonbonniere.

We guarantee our headache tablets to cure any case of headache in 15 minutes. Charles Rogers.

A large number of people came over from Ilwaco yesterday and took in the sights of the city.

Business in the justice and police courts yesterday was at a standstill, not a single case being tried.

No exhibit is to be removed from any department of the Art Loan until Friday except by special permit.

The delivery wagon of A. V. Allen is in the hands of painters, who are dressing it up with a bright and flashy summer suit.

The contract for putting a tin roof on the new building, corner of Ninth and Bond streets has been awarded to S. H. Willett.

Do not forget the Curio and Art Loan exhibition to be given on the 25th, 26th and 27th. Come and see the interesting items from the homes of Astoria.

C. MacKenzie, traveling passenger agent of the C. R. I. and P. R. R., located in Portland, was in the city yesterday, accompanied by his wife.

Sherman's hack, which got badly damaged in a runaway a short time ago, was today taken to Simpson's carriage shops to be remodelled and repainted.

A telegram was received last evening from Portland stating that the purser of the steamer Lurline was dismissed from the service of that company.

Tickets will be sold for the steamer Telephone and Bailey Gatzert July 3 and 4, good until 6th, at one fare for the round trip, to all points between Astoria and Portland.

Messrs. Foard & Stokes have received their new salmon labels which will be used on all brands handled by this firm. The label is a handsome one in gilt and gray and will add to the appearance of any can on which it is used.

August Harder, who was badly jammed in the Warren logging camp eight days ago, is improving slowly. It will take at least fourteen days more before he will be able to leave the hospital.

Samuel Baxter, a logger, badly injured in a logging camp some time ago, has recovered so as to be able to walk around. He left last evening for Portland on a visit to his family.

Hope Ferguson says that after a man has had experience in gathering in railroad rights of way he will be posted as to the best methods of making love, taking care of the baby, chopping wood and washing dishes.

The following were among the passengers for Portland on the Potter last evening: J. Boyd, Mrs. Williams, Miss Watson, Joseph Randall, S. Mercer, M. F. Melden, A. Mosline, Miss Mesina, S. F. Nulligan, C. MacKenzie and wife.

The Columbia Football club has accepted an invitation from the South Bend eleven to play in that town on the Fourth of July. A silver cup will be given to the winning team, and the Astoria boys are assured of a good time with expenses paid.

Mr. Thomas Ryrie will be the next school director, provided he keeps his promises, so stated a promnent citizen yesterday, who says that Mr. Ryrie is a firm believer in increasing the population of the city by any and all legitimate means.

Mrs. Kronquist received the sad news of the death of her mother in Finland. She lived to the ripe age of 81 years and three months. Her last words were "I know that my Redeemer liveth." She leaves eight children, six of whom reside in Astoria.

For the convenience of the customers of the N. P. Brewery, John Kopp has erected a cold storage for his celebrated beer at the Sunny Side saloon. Mr. J. L. Carlson will act as agent for John Kopp and will be much pleased to serve the customers of the North Pacific Brewery.

Joseph Petty, who was brought to the hospital last week suffering from paralysis, has shown no signs of improvement. He is perfectly helpless, being unable to move his limbs or hands and while understanding everything that is said is unable to talk. His physicians consider his case a bad one.

Agents wanted to sell the Morgan adjustable pattern; most wonderful invention ever made. By its use any lady can get the same results as by the tailor system without the work. Ladies taught how to fit a perfect fitting dress, and supplied with the system for only $5. Call for one week on Mrs. J. W. Brown, Hotel Tighe, from 11 a. m. to 2 p. m.

Thanking the good people of Astoria and surrounding country for their liberal patronage during the thirty days I worked at reduced prices. I hope by professional courtesy, honest and durable work, to merit a continuance of the same.

MENTOR HOWARD,
Surgeon Dentist.
Dental parlors, 573 Commercial street.

Philip Pientenberg, a contractor, while sitting on a pile on the Telephone wharf last evening, accidentally slipped off and into the river. Fred Strong grabbed a pike pole standing near by and hooking the unlucky bather in a safe place, held him until Pat O'Hara arrived with a boat. Mr. O'Hara says he is going to apply for a medal for bravery in saving human life.

Acting under instructions from the council, Chief of Police Laughery notified the teamsters working on the new water system that they would have to take out a license as provided by ordinance No. 1195. Mr. Behm seemed inclined to make a test case of the matter and informed the chief that whenever wanted in court in reference to the difficulty he would be ready. City Attorney Smith was informed of the contractor's decision and will today look up the law in the case.

PER

Enger and Howard, the two self-confessed thieves who were sentenced by Judge McBride to two and one-half and one and one-half years, respectively, appear much elated over the short terms they will have to serve in the penitentiary. Both men are ex-convicts with bad records. Enger smiled when asked this morning what he thought of the sentence. "I'm satisfied," said he, "I thought I would get at least a fiver." Howard appeared satisfied also, the only objection being from Reed, sentenced to one year for stealing a pair of barber's clippers. He entered a plea of guilty, thinking he would get off with a few months in the county jail.

"THE MILWAUKEE."

The only railroad lighting its trains by electricity.

The only railroad using the celebrated electric berth reading lamp.

The coaches now running on "The Milwaukee" are Palaces on Wheels.

On all its through lines, the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway runs the most perfectly equipped trains of Sleeping, Parlor, and Dining Cars and Coaches.

For lowest rates to any point in the United States and Canada, apply to ticket agents, or address C. J. EDDY,
General Agent,
Portland, Oregon.

A CLEMATIS BLOSSOM.

The night editor, upon taking possession of his desk last night, found upon it a very handsome clematis bloom. He was told that a young lady had taken pity on this loneliness and had herself brought the blossom that the company of a bit of nature might make more congenial the long hours. The gift was much appreciated and the bright face of the flower ever spoke, during the night watches, of the kindly thoughts of the girl whose life and character might be represented by its perfection.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT.

In the case of John Grand, who confessed to larceny, sentence was deferred for the present.

In the suit of Louis Zaglemeyer vs. Elmo Melson et al., C. E. Runyon was appointed guardian ad litem.

Henry Gilbertson, arrested for stealing salmon twine, was discharged.

William Marshall, arrested for forging a check, was dismissed.

The case of Otto Duffiner vs. Rasper Auderegg was dismissed by plaintiff.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

ASTOR HOUSE.

S Steele, city	A G Gayland, Pilind
P G Bates, Lafette	Stewart Church,
I L Root, Newburg	Ilwaco.
J W Keith & fam	G Prasil, L Beach
city.	Joe Johnson, L Bch
J L Gilmore, Melvi	Cora Bell, L Beach
Fred Heim Nehalm	Octava Williams,
W L Mattens,	Long Beach.
Westport	Lot Gilmore,
W M Williams, city	Chadwell.

NOTICE

Is hereby given forbidding Packwood or any other persons from cutting or removing wood or stone from any of my land without first making satisfactory arrangements with James W. Welch.

PERSONAL MENTION.

W. B. Kirk, of Salem, is in the city.

J. D. Daly of Toledo, Ore., is at the Parker.

Mrs. S. Gordon, of Warrenton, is in the city.

Stewart Church, of Ilwaco, is a guest of the Astor.

Mrs. Nyman is reported very sick at her home in Alderbrook.

Mrs. Rannells was said to bbe slowly improving yesterday.

MissSargent leaves this evening for a few days' visit to Portland.

Robert and Alex McIntosh, of Portland, are registered at the Occident.

Joseph Ellsworth of Sunshine, Wis., is a guest at the Parker house.

John West ,of Cathlamet, is in Astoria on a visit. He is registered at the Parker.

Hugh Peters and Julius Levy, of Portland, are in town and quartered at the Parker house.

Sheriff Hare yesterday went to Portland with the three men sentenced to the penitentiary.

C. J. Trenchard and George Bartley returned from a short business trip to Oregon City yesterday.

G. Prasil and Joseph Johnson, of Long Beach are in town and registered at the Astor house.

J. C. Adams and wife, of Clatsop, are visiting in the city and registered at the Parker house.

W. T. Beveridge, the cigar man, was entertaining friends yesterday at his Eleventh street store.

Robert McMath, who was in the city yesterday, turned in his right of way deed to the committee.

Miss Jennie Elliott, of Cathlamet, was a visitor to Astoria yesterday. She returned home last evening.

E. C. Hughes left on the steamer Ilwaco this morning for South Bend. He will be absent several days.

J. A. Lemon and W. L. Goldberg, of San Francisco, arrived in Astoria yesterday and are stopping at the Occident.

W. F. Hubbards, the Clackamas hatchery man, and Fish Commissioner James Crawford, of Washington, are in the city.

Constable Oberg is absent in Portland, endeavoring to apprehend a man who is wanted to answer on a criminal charge in this city. He returns today.

William and Mark Warren, Robert Gibson, Benjamin Worsley, William Raymond, James Maher, A. M. Smith and Harry Beal are in Oregon City giving testimony in the land case of Warren vs. Gibson.

Signal Observer Grover returned yesterday from Portland, where he has been for the past week. Mr. Grover's trip to the metropolis was for the purpose of filling a temporary vacancy in the weather bureau in that city.

Miss May Utzinger arrived home from Portland Tuesday. The young lady is attending school in the metropolis, and comes home to be in attendance at the graduating exercises of the '95 class, of which her sister Nellie is a member. After a few weeks' stay she will resume her studies in Portland, accompanied by her sister.

TIME'S WHIRLIGIG.

Mrs. Newera—Henry!

Her Husband—Yes, my dear.

Mrs. Newera—Here's another bill of $1.50 for neckties. That's the third in six months. And last week I settled a bill of $1.75 for your straw hat. Do you thing I'm made of money?

HIS HOPES IN ASHES.

"'Will I marry him?' That's the burning question," murmured the fair maid, tossing his proposal of marriage into the fire.

SWEET WEDDING BELLS

Mr. C. P. Zigler and Miss Myra Stevens Made One.

A PROFUSION OF FLOWERS

Lend Grace to the Scene—Many Wish the Happy Couple Joy—Will Visit in Roseburg.

One of the prettiest social events of the season occurred last evening at the residence of Mrs. Stevens on Franklin avenue, when Mr. C. P. Zigler and Miss Myra Stevens were united in marriage. The rooms had been beautifully decorated, the stairway in the front hall being banked with ivy and flowers, with tall urns of flowers resting upon the lower floor. The reception room was decorated with ferns and Marguerites, and the parlor with roses, the walls being draped with netting. A beautiful bell composed of white carnations was suspended beneath the arch separating the reception room from the parlor.

At 8 o'clock, to the music of Lohengrin's Wedding March, played by Miss Mary Barron, the bride and groom, accompanied by Mr. H. G. Mallett and Miss Maud Warren, took their places and were pronounced man and wife, Rev. D. Staver, of the Congregational church, officiating. After receiving the congratulations of those present, the bridal party were escorted to the dining room. Here the tables had been arranged in T-shape, and decorated with yellow Marguerites, and the refreshments which had been prepared were enjoyed by all. A number of beautiful and useful wedding gifts were presented. Following is a list of those who were present:

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dement, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Prael, Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warren, Mr and Mrs. Geo. Shields, Mr. and Mrs. Staver, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Kinney, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lounsberry, Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. A. Bowlby, Mr. and Mrs. O. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Joplin, Mrs. L. Hubbard, Miss Lela Hubbard, Mr. Lon Hubbard, of Oakland, Cal.; Mrs. N. Swift, Mrs. Gardner, of Portland; Mrs. M. Stevens, Mrs. C. R. Huntington, Misses E. Huntington, Mabel Smith, Lillian Smith, Harriet Sayre, Maude Warren, Mary Barron, and Miss Kitty Holman, of Portland; Messrs. J. B. Wyatt, W. A. Sherman, J. F. Hamilton, H. G. Mallett, Mark S. Warren, Geo. Stevens and Chas. Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Zigler leave this morning for a week's visit to Roseburg, this state, the home of Mr. Zigler's parents. They take with them the hearty well-wishes of all their friends and acquaintances in Astoria.

AS OTHERS SEE US.

Mr. A. W. Prescott, teacher of the Clatsop school during the last two years, is now in Salem, and writes that not only the business men but the farmers also of the Willamette valley are taking great interest in the outcome of the Astoria railroad transactions. They feel that the road is certain and that it will be a benefit to the producers and shippers throughout the valley.

Superintendent G. M. Irwin, who lectures in the M. E. church next Friday evening, is probably one of the busiest public men of Oregon at the present time. The many normal schools and colleges throughout the state are holding their annual commencement exercises and each endeavors to secure as one of the leading features, a lecture by the state superintendent.

Mr. Irwin is a man of great literary ability, of broad intelligence and of progressive ideas. During the short time he has been in office he has not only conducted his official affairs with great credit to himself, but has gone beyond the simple requirements of law, and by means of many addresses delivered throughout the state, has stirred up such an enthusiasm in educational matters as has never been felt before in Oregon. We predict for those who hear him Friday evening a rare treat.

PRICES RISING—WITHOUT SILVER.

New York Tribune.

Nothing could have happened to refute more conclusively the claims of silver fanatics than th estrong advance in prices of other products, which has been in progress for more than a month. That farm products are cheap and everything else also, because silver is disused, and the purchasing power of gold is thereby enhanced, is the very corner stone of all arguments for free coinage. That claim cleared away, the western and southern producers would have not the faintest interest in the outcry of mine-owners for extraordinary favors, and the silver question would then be left for settlement in accordance with the monetary interests of the nation as a whole.

Wheat has risen from the lowest point over 30 cents at the highest, and 25 cents even now—an advance of nearly one-half. Cotton has risen about 1 3-4 cents, or over 30 per cent from the lowest point. Bessemer pig-iron has risen about $2.50 per ton, or 25 per cent. All these advances have occurred without any corresponding movement in silver, which has risen less than 5 per cent even in the narrow and easily manipulated London market. But in reality the demand for silver as money has not increased at all, nor has there been any gain within the last two months in the prospect for its rehabilitation by international agreement. The non-concurrence of price movements does not in the least surprise those who know that silver has long ceased to control or materially influence the world's valuation of commodities. But it is a startling revelation to those who have swallowed free silver theories and yet retain enough self-command and intelligence to comprehend the meaning of current events.

Wheat rises because it has become, or men believe that it will become, somewhat scarcer with relation to the demand. It matters not for the moment whether this impression is well founded or not; it is of no sort of consequence whether the belief in serious injury to crops is or is not justified; the fact to be noted is that these beliefs, whether true or false, determine the price of wheat rather than any change whatever in the supply of silver, in the prospect for its rehabilitation, or in the purchasing power of money generally. So it is with cotton. There has been a belief that both the acreage and the yield per acre this year would be so far reduced that the supply of cotton would be not too large for the world's demand, and it makes no sort of difference whether this general belief had good foundation or none at all. The plain fact is that the price of cotton was controlled by this idea, and not in the least by any change in the condition or prospects of the silver market. Other products in like manner have moved, each according to the relative demand and supply. Iron has grown dearer because wages of coke workers have risen, making fuel dearer, and wages of iron miners, making ore dearer, and wages of furnace hands, making the production more costly. In addition there is the belief, whether well founded or not, that further advances in the cost of coke and ore and lead will presently be found inevitable, and will force still higher prices for manufactured iron and for other products of iron and steel.

The silver fanatics will soon wake to the discovery, it is to be hoped, that this product also is controlled by similar influences. If silver becomes relatively scarce, the production falling below the world's actual demand, the price will rise just as the price of wheat or of cotton rises. Or if it comes to be generally believed that the supply of silver will fall short of the world's demand, an advance in price may be expected, and will result from the same natural causes which control the prices of other commodities. But it will be difficult this year, in the light of current events, to convince men of any intelligence that the prices of commodities are in any sense controlled by the world's demand for silver, or the world's use of silver as money.

WHEELING INTO LINE.

The prediction has often been made that before the next presidential campaign opens the republican party would be sold for sound money from one end of the country to the other, outside the silver mining camps; that it needed only a few bold and intelligent leaders in the states where demagogues have led the party astray to write the principles of common business sense and honesty upon the republican standard; that the sham and fraud of free silver would sink away from the light of free and frank discussion, and that upon that issue, squarely joined and boldly tried, the republicans of Kansas, Nebraska, North and South Dakota, Oregon and Washington could be relied on to wheel those states in line with the republican party on an honest money platform. In fact an immense change of public sentiment is already going on in those states. It is significant that Congressman Johnson of North Dakota, who is supposed to be a candidate for Hansbrough's seat in the senate, has openly repudiated the free silver folly. There is no doubt that the intelligent sentiment, the dominant sentiment of the republicans of that state, is on the side of the dollar that is as good as every other dollar.

Kansas is one of the states that is usually regarded as inextricably wedded to free silver. This is because the People's party, which for a time swept all before it, is solid for free silver, and it is towing the democratic party after it in the same current. But the Topeka Capital believes that the republican party of Kansas is in harmony with the national policy of the party and in favor of the maintenance of the present parity of dollars on the present standard. The republican papers of the state are by a very large majority for good money. Of the 102 republican newspapers of Kansas seventeen are for free coinage, while eighty-five stand squarely upon the money plank of the last national republican platform. In addition several of the leading democratic papers are on the same side. Eighty per cent of the weekly republican papers of Kansas are against free silver, and many of them are actively fighting against it. Not only that, but we are assured the tide has turned in Kansas. The fighting force for sound money is winning adherents every week.

And the change that is going on in Kansas illustrates a similar change of public sentiment among the intelligent classes of other states in the group we have mentioned. The logic of monetary facts is aided by the logic of events. Free silver is chiefly a vague impression of discontent. It feeds on poverty and hard times. It cannot stand prosperity. With a good harvest, with good prices for the farmers' products this fall, the free silver obsession will pass away like a bad dream after a drunk on forty-rod whisky.—Exchange.

SOME FREE ADVERTISING.

The department stores of Chicago have received a great deal of free advertising in connection with the Illinois state senate committee appointed to investigate their methods. The heads of a number of large stores of this sort have been called upon to testify before the committee as to why they were able to undersell smaller stores, and how they had managed to secure so large a share of the trade. Of course, these sharp storekeepers made the most of the opportunity and the testimony was published in large in the newspapers. Mr. Frank H. Cooper, of Siegel, Cooper & Co., was arrested for refusing to answer some pertinent questions, and carried before the bar of the senate at Springfield. The voluminous reports of his tribulations occupied considerable space in the newspapers, and, posing as he did as a martyr to low prices, the sympathy of the people was naturally aroused in his favor. It was probably a very profitable martyrdom. The investigation, instigated by petty storekeepers for the purpose of creating legislation unfavorable to department stores, resulted in the best advertisement which these stores could have had. When prices are so low that they need to be investigated by a senate committee, they are about such prices as most people look for.

And then at the climax of the matter The Fair issued open defiance to those who would regulate selling prices, by selling for one whole day $5 gold pieces at $4.75 and silver dollars at 90 cents. The reporters who came to see the crowds and to write of the barrels of money being sold below cost, were told by the enterprising proprietors who were smilingly selling gold and silver coin at a discount that such sales were not uncommon in that store. While money itself had not before been sold at a loss, goods were daily being sacrificed at a much greater loss. The reporters took the statement down verbatim, and the papers published it as a news item with suitable sensational head-lines.

It is not unlikely now that these investigations will become the rage, but it will be the big stores that will start them hereafter and direct them against themselves.—ults.

AN ELIZABETHAN SKIRT.

The spring fashions are absolutely defined. Paris has proclaimed full Elizabethan skirts, which, with the spencer, will form the basis of our future toilets. Sleeves are capricious and vary with the personal taste of the wearer, but their fullness is on the decline, and the shoulders are revealed by yoke or epaulettes. The new skirts are legion. The godets or organ pipes now reach the sides and in some instances the front breadth. These pipes are lined with crinoline or horsehair. They are generally secured taped at the back. Sometimes if there is a train they will be mounted to a half hoop of steel. A very thick cord or rope of velvet is worn around the bottom of the skirt to secure the undulating edge without undue limpness. One of the prettiest, but most intricate of skirts, has the godets starting all round below the waist from stiff little velvet bows.—Woman at Home.

HISTORY OF A COURTSHIP.

Met him—met him again—in love with him. Met him again—no longer in love with him, but he is in love with me because I am so beautiful. Met him again—he is still in love with me, not only because I am so beautiful but because I am also so good. Sorry for him. Again I met him—he is colder than he was. Think he has forgotten my beauty and goodness. I, however, am inclined to think that I am in love with him after all. How lucky he is and how angry mamma will be! Mamma proved to be strangely pleased. Makes me angry, for I know she is not a good judge of a young girl's heart. Flirted with him outrageously to make mamma angry—didn't succeed. Engaged to him—glad. Married him—sorry.—English Paper.

A NEW BREAD PUDDING.

A new recipe for bread pudding has been found and is presented with the indorsement of being worth a place in the appendix leaves of the housekeeper's cook book: Soak one pint of fine crumbs in a pint of milk until soft, add three tablespoonfuls of cocoa dissolved in a little water, three well beaten eggs, a half cupful of granulated sugar and another pint of milk. Set the pudding dish in a pan of hot water and bake one hour. Whipped cream, flavored with vanilla, is very good with this pudding, or a sauce made from a scant cupful of sugar, a tablespoonful of cornstarch, and a cupful of water may be used. Cook the ingredients in a double boiler ten minutes, and just before serving add an ounce of butter and a half teaspoonful of vanilla.

CURRENT NOTES.

Mean, Even Then—Mr. Flushley— Did you know that Jazbin beats his wife almost every night in the week? Mrs. Flushley—No; does he? O, the monster! Mr. Flushley—O, I don't know about that; you see he plays a much better game than she does.—Roxberry (Mass.) Gazette.

"And where's Sappeigh?" inquired the returned clubman, who was posting himself. "Is he still courting that bright western girl?" "O, no," replied his friend. "She jolled him for six months or more and fooled him at last." "Ah," with a sympathetic sigh, "she rejected him, did she?" "Not much. She married him."—Detroit Free Pres.

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