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The passage by the Georgia legislature of an act maintaining the gold standard in that state, is highly creditable not only to Georgia, but the entire South.

Astoria wants free towage. Astoria will have free towage if Mr. Hammond can arrange it. With a free port at San Francisco, there is nothing else for the business men at the mouth of the Columbia to do but make a free port here.

Mr. Hammond is coming in the very near future, and every Astorian is rejoicing over the fact. With many schemes on hand for the development of the city, it would be strange indeed, if Mr. Hammond could not infuse some life into this port and imbue some of its business men and property owners with a little energy and indomitability. It behooves Astorians to be ready to meet Mr. Hammond and hold up his hands in any and every enterprise that may in any way develop the resources of Astoria, Warrenton, Flavel, New Astoria, Alderbrook, South Astoria or any other Astoria.

Secretary Francis comments on the increase in the list of pensioners, which he takes pains to emphasize is now the largest ever known in the history of the country. He follows this with the somewhat obscure explanation that the apparent increase is due to the increasing deaths among old soldiers and the attention of their pitiful allowances among minor children and widows. We would like to ask the honorable secretary if this doesn't prove that the pension list is actually decreasing rather than increasing, as the inflated portion of his report was evidently intended to show. Like a good many other Southern Democrats, Secretary Francis is probably somewhat prejudiced against the nation's dependents, but we doubt if any disbursements made by the government tends to do so much general good among all classes as the pensions paid to its old defenders.

The letter from Gen. Charles Grover, published a few days ago in Cincinnati, taken in connection with other things, declares on high authority that the policy of the new administration will be to assume at once full responsibility for the tariff for revenue—though not for revenue only—legislation that is inevitable; and to call an extra session of congress. This indicates a positive policy—the casting aside of all makeshifts, such as the Dingley bill, which is of an avowedly temporary character, and also the issue of certificates of indebtedness. The fact is, the McKinley administration will be confronted by a decided revenue, and it is so far as there are signs of the times, the purpose of those who are to assume authority, to go at once to work to find revenue and protect industry, as the first and imperative business of the new administration, in the belief that the tariff can be revised without disturbance or delay.

THE ENLARGEMENT OF TRADE. It is not probable that the mercantile interests of the country expected any marked improvement in trading activity so soon after election. Indeed, the more conservative houses that have had wide experience in the matter of noting the effect of changed governmental policies and prospective legislation upon business conditions did not anticipate any revival of business before spring.

While there has been a marked revival of activity in the manufacturing industries owing to an increase of confidence on the part of capital, it follows from the nature of things that merchandising would be the last to feel the effect of a more optimistic business outlook. Unemployed capital must be distributed by re-opened productive industries before there can be any increased sales in merchandising.

Another reason why the indications of returning prosperity are not so marked in mercantile quarters as in manufacturing industries is the fact that millions of dollars' worth of orders were given before election conditional upon the triumph of McKinley and sound money. This, of course, cannot be classified as new business, and yet the subsidence of these deferred orders does not indicate a decrease of business. The gain has been greater than anybody

looked for, and it is to be expected that a small part of it is in excess of the present consuming demand. The best and surest indication of a certain revival of mercantile activity is furnished by the heavy orders that are being placed for foreign merchandise.

In the manufacturing industries it is estimated that nearly 55,000 men have been given employment since the election of McKinley. In the estimates compiled they are classified as follows: Nineteen thousand one hundred and ninety iron and steel workers, 15,215 glass makers, 13,665 implement-makers, 9,812 clay workers and helpers, 1,200 lumbermen, 5,300 shipbuilders, furniture and paper makers.

It is true that thousands have not yet felt the returning tide of prosperity. The railroads will not experience any marked revival until a season of increased productivity in the factories and mills has given them the big freight business which they lost under the Wilson tariff law. But general prosperity is surely on the way. The inauguration in March and the extra session of the new congress are certain to be followed by an awakening in all lines of productive and trading activity.

HER PIES.

'Way back in the sweet, sweet long ago, When the world seemed just new-made, And the hours swept by in a gold batteau

O'er pleasure's bright cascade 'Twas then in the childhood's realm I met

Dear Maud of the dewy eyes, And stood entranced as the deft brunette

Did fashion the wee dirt pies. We're married now, and the self-same hands

That molded the pies of clay Have sometimes structured other brands

Of pies in the modern way. And, having sampled these pastry plants,

My oath I can solemnly take That between the two I would risk my chance

With the kind that she used to make. — Boston Courier.

The man with a weight on his leg can't hope to win the race. A man with a weight on his health can't expect to compete in life and business with those who are not handicapped. If his brain is heavy, and his blood sluggish, because of constipation, he will not succeed in doing anything very well. Constipation is the cause of nine-tenths of all sickness. Symptoms of it are: sallowness, listlessness, poor appetite, bad taste in the mouth, dizziness, biliousness, and lassitude. Constipation can be cured easily and certainly by the use of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They are not at all violent in their action, and yet they are more certain than many medicines which are so strong that they put the system all out of order. The great advantage of the "Pleasant Pellets" is that they cure permanently.

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TWO LIVES SAVED.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors she had Consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her, and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thomas Eggers, 120 Florida street, San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching Consumption, tried without result everything else, then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. Free trial bottle at Chas. Rogers' Drug Store. Regular size 50 cents and \$1.00.

Among the concessions asked of the managers of the Paris exposition is one by an American who wishes to put a glass barrel fifty-two feet long and twenty-seven feet high, with an American bar inside of it, and it would seem to be a transparent money-making scheme.

OLD PEOPLE.

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey or other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alternative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price 50 cents per bottle at Chas. Rogers' Drug Store.

There is apparently only one way to prevent Bryan from continuing his tour of agitation, and that is to employ Tom Watson to head him off.

Absolutely pure, perfectly harmless, and invariably reliable are the qualities of One Minute Cough Cure. It never fails in colds, croup and lung troubles. Children like it because it is pleasant to take and it helps them. Chas. Rogers.

The first big store that makes a conspicuous display of Oregon novelties and delicacies is going to make a strike.

MEN of all AGES. Quickly, Thoroughly, Forever Cured. Four out of five who suffer nervousness, mental worry, attacks of "the blues," are but paying the penalty of early excesses. Victims, reclaim your manhood, regain your vigor. Don't despair. Send for book with explanation and proofs. Mailed (sealed) free. ERIE MEDICAL CO., Buffalo, N. Y.

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Illinois has a new political organization calling itself the Christian Citizenship League, and if it carries out all the reforms demanded by its platform it will have to sweep the state with a new broom and mop up the spot where Chicago was with hot water.

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positive cure for piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price, 25 cents per box. For sale by Charles Rogers, Odd Fellows' building.

It has been noted that Colorado gave Bryan a larger plurality than he obtained in the five Southern states of Georgia, Tennessee, South Carolina, Florida and Louisiana; but the notice is not to the credit of Colorado.

If you're in doubt whether your trouble is indigestion or dyspepsia, just take a few doses of Simmons' Liver Regulator it will settle the whole question. "I have tried Simmons' Liver Regulator for dyspepsia and find it just the thing to relieve me. A small dose after meals is sure to prevent indigestion."—S. S. Perkins, Sharon, Ga. "It is the best medicine to aid digestion."—J. B. Black, Duncan, Arizona.

According to the London correspondent of the Chicago Inter-Ocean it is reported in England that ex-President Harrison will be the next United States ambassador to the country, but American news from that source is always more amusing than instructive.

"Excuse me," observed the man in spectacles, "but I am a surgeon, and that is not where the liver is." "Never you mind where his liver is," retorted the other. "If it was in his big toe or his left ear De Witt's Little Early Risers would reach it and shake it for him. On that you can bet your gigmals." Chas. Rogers.

The gold-standard democratic papers in the East are in a queer state of indecision whether to set to work reorganizing their own party or to pass the time advising the republicans not to reform the tariff.

Scaly eruptions on the head, chapped hands and lips, cuts, bruises, scalds, burns are quickly cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is at present the article most used for piles, and it always cures them. Chas. Rogers.

Our country beats the world talking of international arbitration and the continuance of peace, but we keep right along improving our coast defenses and enlarging our navy, and nobody regards us as a nation of dreamers.

The old lady was right when she said the child might die if they waited for the doctor. She saved the little one's life with a few doses of One Minute Cough Cure. She had used it for croup before. Chas. Rogers.

Ohio statesmen evidently figure a long way ahead, for some of them are said to be laying plans to defeat Senator Sherman when he comes up for reelection two years from now.

The old way of delivering messages by postboys compared with the modern telephone, illustrates the old tedious methods of "breaking" colds compared with their almost instantaneous cure by One Minute Cough Cure. Chas. Rogers.

Really, it does not matter much now whether Cleveland recognizes Cuba or not, as he will soon be in a position where Cuba will hardly be able to recognize him.

Cleveland's message in defense of his administration will not be exactly a charity, but all the same it will cover a multitude of sins.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. PET CIGARETTES SUPERIOR TO ALL OTHERS. Made from the highest cost Gold Leaf, grown in Virginia, and are ABSOLUTELY PURE.

TELL IT OUT.

Don't sit down and wait for trade. Taint the way. Get a hustle, make her show. Push your business—make her go. Don't sit down and wait for trade. Taint the way. Taint the way.

If you've got something to sell, Tell it about. Let your neighbors see you're "ry." Get up "bargains," don't say die, If you've anything to sell. Tell it out. Tell it out.

Folks don't know you if you don't Advertise. Keep things moving every day. Talk about it; that's the way. Folks won't know you if you don't Advertise. Advertise.

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Most so-called "salmon twines" are colored with acids. The acids rot the fibre and render the material useless. In the office of Elmore, Sanborn & Co. is an all fisherman. It is the whole of the material used in the manufacture of Marshall's twine—from start to finish. Go there and examine the color right through. You will see then why Marshall's is called the best in the world.

A TWISTER. A twister in twisting May twist him a twist, For in twisting a twist Three twists make a twist; But if one of the twists Untwists from the twist, The twist untwisting Untwists the twist. That is, when it's twisted with any other twine than MARSHALL'S.

Go to Elmore, Sanborn's office and see machine. Take along some of the twine "as good as Marshall's," in your pocket, and test them. They show how much Marshall's will stand. It's money in your pocket and fish in your net to find out their new and handsome twine testing

A woman will often go through a trying ordeal without flinching, but it would not be safe to wager money that she wouldn't faint away after the danger was over.

To cure all old sores, to heal an indolent ulcer, or to speedily cure piles, you need simply apply DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve according to directions. Its magic-like action will surprise you. Chas. Rogers.

The coming session of congress promises to be dull, but we will have a lively session of the legislature to make up for it.

ROYAL Baking Powder has been awarded highest honors at every world's fair where exhibited.

The latest novelty in tricycles is a machine in which you do the riding and another fellow works the pedals. It is the boss.

It is a fixed and immutable law that to have good sound health, one must have pure, rich and abundant blood. There is no shorter nor surer route than by a course of DeWitt's Sarsaparilla. Chas. Rogers.

There is a manifest tendency on the part of many Eastern people to criticize Bryan's book before he writes it, and that can hardly be called judicious advertising.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. For sale by Chas. Rogers, Druggist.

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CASTORIA. The favorite of mothers. It is in every wrapper.

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Table with columns: SAILED, FLAG, NAME, TONNAGE, PORT, ARRIVED, CENTALS, VALUE, SHIPPERS, RATE. Lists various grain ships and their destinations.

VESSELS ON THE WAY TO OREGON.

Table with columns: PORT SAILED FROM AND NAME, CAPTAIN, TONNAGE, RATE, CONSIGNEES, DATES. Lists ships en route to Oregon with their respective agents and destinations.

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