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The statement of the Scriptures that it is more blessed to give than to receive is abundantly confirmed this season, when thousands are finding the keenest enjoyment in planning gifts which will express hearts full of love, and in many cases represent self-denial in their purchase.

Untold delight is afforded those who visit the big shops at this season. The number, variety and beauty of articles suitable for Christmas presents is simply marvelous.

No matter how limited the income, there are useful, ornamental and even artistic articles which may be obtained, and which all through the coming year will go on reminding the recipient of the happy Christmas time.

There is one, however, in the line, or more properly speaking, in the pocket book. Money does not hold out worth a cent at this season. The only consolation is that everybody is in the same boat.

People of large incomes and small all have the same experience. They cannot buy half the presents they want to, or near as expensive ones, which shows how thoughts of the greatest holiday of the year soften people's hearts and invigorate their generous impulses.

As the days go by, it becomes clearer that the two wings of the Democratic party, created by the split on silver, will not reunite.

Had the silver kings acquiesced in the decision of the people at the polls, and definitely abandoned the 16 to 1 idea, the closing of the gap would have been practical.

But they have declared that the agitation shall go on; and it now becomes of interest to know what will be the course of the sound money Democrats.

The real strength of that element did not appear in the vote for Palmer and Buckner. The majority of the Democrats voted for McKinley. They fired both barrels instead of one, at the silver foe.

A vote for Palmer meant a half-vote for McKinley; they each gave him a whole vote. We believe that the course of the new administration will be such that the majority of the gold Democrats will come to its support.

This will mean the breaking of the power of the Democratic party, as at present controlled, in all the great states east of the Mississippi, and north of the free silver states of the South.

And such a course would mean absolute hopelessness for any further attempts to debase the currency by the adoption of the 16 to 1 idea.

It is safe to say that, outside of the residents of the lake cities, the masses of the American people have a very inadequate idea of the enormous volume of commerce on these great inland seas.

The report of Secretary Lamont gives statistics which seem almost incredible. During the last fiscal year there passed through the "Suez" canal 15,296 vessels carrying an aggregate of 14,326,322 tons of freight, which exceeds the amount of freight carried during the Suez canal during the same period by nearly 6,000,000 tons.

The commerce which passed through the Detroit river during the year amounted to 25,559,000 tons, valued at \$275,000,000. This tonnage is in excess of the combined net tonnage of London and Liverpool for the year 1894.

Yet a dozen people know all about the Suez canal to one who is able to even locate correct the Suez. Marie Canal? The Suez canal, being in a warm climate, is open to commerce the year around; while the "Suez" canal is frozen up every winter, and for about six months has no commerce.

Hence its traffic in a half year—the season of lake navigation—is almost double that of a whole year through the Suez canal. England boasts of her commerce, and is called the greatest maritime nation on earth. Yet the tables of the United States bureau of statistics show that the aggregate tonnage, coastwise and internal considered, of this country is very largely in excess of that of England.

THE SILVER SENATORS. The silver men elected to the United States Senate are Republicans, who abandoned their party because it could not bring to a false and pernicious monetary scheme, one not to be depended on in any emergency.

Their course in the Senate will be dictated by their desire to win the silver fallacy, not by any wish to promote Republican legislation. This is abundantly proved already.

The Republican strength in the Senate last winter was 46, or one short of a majority.

majority. Leaving out these six silver malcontents, the straight Republican vote is but 38, or seven less than a majority. As the Senate is a continuing body, the defective of these six silver-republicans can hold the Senate committee and their chairmanships—the essential machinery in shaping legislation. The control of the finance committee of the Senate is most important. In view of prospective legislation; but the 38 votes which can be depended upon give no assurance of the Republicans retaining this control.

In point of fact, there is a new alignment of parties in the Senate. The free silver forces, including Democrats, Republicans and Populists, number 33; straight-out Democrats, 13; vacancy (Delaware), 1; total, 50.

Republican control of the Senate during the present short session is not of so much importance as it will be in the next Congress meets. The problem now before the Republicans is to obtain a majority of that body. Unless they can control the upper house, the prospect of relief through a straight Republican tariff measure, and common-sense financial legislation, is remote.

It is already certain that the Republican vote will be at least 42 at the next session, and may reach 45. There will be active work in those state legislatures which have senatorial elections this winter, to secure enough votes to give absolute control. But three more are needed, as 46 is a majority of the Senate.

GOD'S OWN LATEST DREAM. Oh, lands of liberty and law. Awake to God's own latest dream Of love and life without a flaw. And less the tiger's selfish gleam.

Oh, nations! with your hoarded gold Of usury and plotted gain; What are ye but the brothers, bond, Of time's first murderer, named Cain?

Why not arise to valor strong As God's own chosen sunlit soul, And join the clear, eternal song That must throughout the ages roll? William Henry Thorne.

THE DISCOVERY SAVED HIS LIFE. Mr. G. Callorette, Druggist, Peaverville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. I was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it. Get a free trial at Chas. Rogers' Drug Store."

Taken all in all, the City of Brotherly Love just now recalls with much force the fact that brotherly love is quite compatible with a large amount of bitter quarreling and the utterance of words particularly savage.—New York Times.

CURE FOR HEADACHE. As a remedy for all forms of Headache, Electric Bitters has proved to be the very best. It affects a permanent cure and the most dreaded habitual sick headaches yield to its influence. We urge all who are afflicted to procure a bottle, and give this remedy a fair trial. In cases of habitual constipation Electric Bitters cures by giving the needed tone to the bowels, and few cases long resist the use of this medicine. Try it once. Fifty cents, and \$1.00 at Chas. Rogers' Drug Store.

It is stated that Governor Stuenkelber, of Idaho, never wears a collar. Of course this refers to linen, paper or celluloid. Governor Stuenkelber wears the silver shirt collar, or he never would have been elected in Idaho.—Topeka Capital.

BUCKLE'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.

A good many persons are wasting good time building cabinets for Mr. McKinley, seemingly unaware of the fact that the gentleman himself is as good a political joiner and carpenter as there is in the business.—St. Louis Star.

There are some people who are never positive in anything. It is always, "I don't know," or "I guess so." There is a world of such people, and it is refreshing sometimes to hear a person speak as one having convictions, like Mr. Chas. F. Snyder, of Bangor, Pa., who wrote: "I can heartily recommend Simmons' Liver Regulator to all who are troubled with Dyspepsia or Liver Complaint."

The woman suffragists have now but forty-one more states to conquer. Come to think of it, Idaho has a sort of a womanly sound.—Boston Herald.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take laxative Bromine Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 5c. For sale by Chas. Rogers, Druggist.

Old man Bismarck seems to be also the possessor of some interesting recollections, but if he is wise he will forget what he has remembered.—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

MEN of all AGES. Quickly, Thoroughly, Forever Cured. Your out of five who suffer nervousness, mental worry, attacks of "the blues," are but paying the penalty of early excess. Victims, reclaim your manhood, regain your vigor, and live a life of health and happiness. Send for book with explanation and proofs. Mailed (sealed) free. ERIC MEDICAL CO., Buffalo, N. Y.

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Painful diseases are bad enough, but when a man is slowly wasting away with nervous weakness, the mental forebodings are ten times worse than the most severe pain. There is no let up to the mental suffering day or night. Sleep is almost impossible, and unless such a strain men are scarcely responsible for what they do. For years the writer rolled and tossed on the troubled sea of sexual weakness until it was a question whether he had not better take a dose of poison and thus end all his troubles. But providential inspiration came to his aid in the shape of a combination of medicines that not only completely restored the general health, but enlarged his weak, emaciated parts to natural size and vigor, and he now declares that any man who will take the trouble to send his name and address may have the method of this wonderful treatment free. Now when I say free I mean absolutely without cost, because I want every weakened man to get the benefit of my experience.

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A good deal of public time could be saved and a good deal of important business could be facilitated if congressmen would learn a little something of the things they have to talk about, before making speeches.—Baltimore American.

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The insanity experts went into retirement at the close of the Harbortrial in New York. But the question of gas and street railway franchises is making busy times for the dishonesty experts.—Washington Star.

"Excuse me," observed the man in spectacles, "but I am a surgeon, and that is not where the liver is." "Never your mind where his liver is," retorted the other. "If it is 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 garters." Chas. Rogers.

Uncle Samuel ought to have his pockets padded for the ensuing four years. A great many people are expecting something from him for their business.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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.

Russia appears to have arrived unadvised at an "understanding" regarding Turkey, and unfortunately Turkey seems to be the only power that is able to understand it.—Chicago Tribune.

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Counterfeit dollars as good as the genuine, so far as intrinsic value goes, are said to be plentifully in circulation. They have the right ring, but are fooled by the wrong ring.—Galveston Tribune.

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The mills of the gods may grind slowly, but the Mills of the United States Senate can with difficulty be restrained in his warlike impetuosity.—Omaha Bee.

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 a long time before. Chas. Rogers.

A scientist says that the entire supply of coal will be exhausted in 7500 years. Not if the coal trust has its own way about prices.—Chicago Times-Herald.

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