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New Year's Proclamation.

THE people of Polk county will take notice that during the year 1894 the BANNER CASH GROCERY led the procession with fine groceries and low prices. This year they propose to put a still greater distance between themselves and all competitors. They will sell goods at bottom prices.

J. P. IRVINE, GROCER

A Few Pointers:

HAVE you ever considered that the appearance of the stationery used by a business man has a great deal to do with the opinions formed of him by those with whom he corresponds?

You have doubtless learned long ago that

Brains are used

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The Enterprise also carries the best line of Legal Blanks in Polk county.

They are correct in every particular. We solicit a trial order.

The Enterprise.

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A FINANCIAL HOODOO.

That Uncle Sammy's exchequer is giving the lean and philosophical old gentleman a deal of trouble just now is one of the most conspicuous facts of which the observing public is cognizant, and the wise men of the East are telling him that he must take the "gold cure" before he can hope to recover from his present attack of financial jinxes. But it is also ascertained that about all of Uncle Sammy's children, except the comparatively few who discovered the "gold cure," are suffering from the same complaint that afflicts the old gentleman. The disease has become an epidemic in the family. Of course something must be done, and done quickly, or else Uncle Sammy and his entire family will be laid up in the receiving hospital for the poor.

To be sure, crops were never more plentiful, abundance exists everywhere throughout the land, millions of horses and cattle and sheep graze upon the verdant hills and luxuriant plains, but in the midst of plenty the people cannot get money to pay their honest debts. And what makes existing conditions more strange and inexplicable, money is superabundant, so we are told, so abundant that it threatens to become cheap, hence "good money" (gold) is hoarded for fear that the country will rush headlong to the silver basis, the "bad" money standard. There are two great financial doctors in this country—Dr. Sherman and Dr. Cleveland. Dr. Sherman made a diagnosis of Uncle Sammy's disease some twenty years ago and prescribed the "gold cure," but the obstinate old gentleman insisted that he was not seriously ailing, and declined taking the remedy except in homeopathic doses. A few years ago Dr. Cleveland came along and prescribed the same treatment, but insisted that it must be administered heroically, for the patient was in a critical condition. No attention was paid to the big, fussy doctor, and strange to say, the patient continued in very good health. But after awhile Uncle Sammy thought that his liver was possibly a little out of order and he concluded to try the famous "gold cure" doctor's remedy. The doctor was delighted and confidently predicted that the patient's restoration to health would be rapid and immediate. But alas! for the doctor's present and posthumous fame, his noble patient became suddenly ill and has been growing worse and worse until now the symptoms are really alarming.

Both the old doctor and the big doctor still dogmatically insist that their famous "gold cure" is the only panacea for the country, ignoring the fact that the total amount of gold in the world only equals about 10 per cent of the business of the world. Their special formula is as follows: Call in all the greenbacks and issue interest bearing gold bonds in their stead, make silver merely a subsidiary coin redeemable in gold, give to national banks alone the power to issue paper currency, and use gold as money of ultimate payment. When this is done, we are told, the country will again be prosperous and money plentiful; peace and contentment will prevail among the toiling masses, and the bright sun of financial progress will once more make glad the waste places in the land.

THE SPECIAL MESSAGE.

The president's special message is a carefully and soberly written statement of the financial difficulties which confront the people and government of the United States, and it is probably the most extraordinary state paper that has been submitted to congress within a generation. Whatever may be men's differences of opinion as to proper remedial legislation, no sane person questions the fact that a financial crisis is seriously threatened. Mr. Cleveland bends all the energy of his character and strength of intellect to impress upon congress the gravity of the situation, and the remedial legislation which, in his opinion, should be enacted. The great menace to the treasury, Mr. Cleveland says, is the easy facility with which the gold reserve is being continually depleted. There are now outstanding some \$500,000,000 legal tender notes which are redeemable in gold on presentation at the treasury. The law is such that these notes when paid may be reissued, and although \$300,000,000

of the \$500,000,000 have been redeemed the original amounts still outstanding. Speculators in gold use these notes as a perpetual drain upon the treasury. The president recommends to congress that the secretary of the treasury be authorized at his discretion to issue \$500,000,000 of 3 per cent 50-year bonds, and that the legal tender and treasury notes, when redeemed, be cancelled and retired from circulation. He also suggests that "our duties on imports should be paid in gold." The president makes suggestions in regard to the deposit of funds in banks and the issuance thereon of paper currency. A salient point in the message is where the president points out the heavy drainage upon the gold reserve fund. From the date of the first \$500,000,000 bond issue in November last to the second issue in January there was withdrawn from the treasury \$103,000,000 in gold, and since the last bond issue there has been withdrawn \$60,000,000, which clearly shows that gold is receding from the treasury at an accelerated pace.

It is certainly astonishing that in a period of profound peace, with the productive wealth of the country annually increasing and all the natural conditions of prosperity existing to make a people wealthy and contented, it should become necessary for the president of the United States to ask congress to authorize the issuing of \$500,000,000 in bonds to prevent the collapse of the United States treasury and the loss of the nation's credit. There is evidently something radically, ay, criminally wrong with our present financial system.

This time has come in the history of this country when United States senators should be elected by the direct vote of the people. At the time of the formation of the federal constitution the present method of electing United States senators was simply a compromise between the extreme states right party and those who held that all power should be vested in the sovereign will of the people. The privilege to elect representatives to congress was granted the people while the election of United States senators was vested in the hands of a representative of the state—the law making or legislative body. The two houses of congress were supposed to represent the sovereign authority of the states and the sovereign will of the people. But the political evolution of five generations of republican form of government has wrought a radical change in public sentiment. The state's rights shibboleth is practically dead, and the grand idea that all authority belongs to and is vested in the people is now the leading thought, the dominant sentiment of the country. The heated deadlock now going on at our state capital is "evidence strong as proof of holy writ" that a change in the method of electing United States senators is imperatively demanded in the interests of good government and useful legislation.

Already weeks of the people's time and thousands of dollars of the people's money have been squandered in the pitiable struggle between rival factions to elect a United States senator, and the end is not yet in sight. It is a matter of the commonest notoriety that frequently the most corrupt methods are used to secure an election to the United States senate. The expressed wishes of the people are ignored, useful and needed legislation is blocked and bad laws are enacted because of the contentious spirit engendered by these long, litter factional fights. It is in the interest of sound and economical legislation, to mention nothing else, that the election of United States senator should be taken out of the hands of the legislature.

The ladies edition of the Salem Daily Statesman is something of a disappointment from a literary point, but what it lacks in salt it makes up in malt. The advertising columns are flooded to overflowing, and no doubt a large revenue will be derived from this edition. The editor tells us in an explanatory note "column upon column of reading matter has unavoidably been crowded out—to make room for paid advertisements the proceeds from which go to charity. In truth, the paper today simply covers the news field briefly, the literary and social features are regrettably omitted. These articles, however, will appear in next Sunday's Statesman, which will be an overflow charity edition."

The editor is frequently criticised for admitting matter into his paper which appears unimportant to a number of persons, and even the editor himself occasionally has the temerity to express opinions that many of his most intelligent readers cannot indorse. Now, is this really a just cause of complaint? We hardly think it is. People differ in opinion. What pleases one person is not pleasing to another person. Indi-

vidual tastes differ, and infinite variety is the rule in the world of mind as well as in the world of matter. A one line personal, for instance, pleases a certain person, especially if the reader happens to be the individual mentioned, although some other person may consider it an extravagant waste of printer's ink. A half column "write up" is usually passable reading to a man of leisure, but it is simply abominable in the eyes of the busy man, whose time is his money. The local newspaper is as much a caterer to public taste as the city daily, only in a lesser degree. The newspaper man writes for all classes of readers, and as a result a motley mosaic of local and other matter is "hushed up" each week, and occasionally some stupid fellow will give his readers "hash," "cold hash," "old hash" and "rehash" each week. When that sort of thing happens a god rousing "kick" is always in order.

The gold reserve is at a low ebb. There is imminent danger that Secretary Carlisle will have to issue bids for another \$50,000,000 sale of bonds. The trouble is easily explained. The government's expenditures are greater than its revenues. The people are opposed to the sale of bonds to raise money to pay the expenditures of the government, but in its present strait the government must either levy a tax or borrow money. Congress should devise means within a week to raise money to replenish the gold reserve. There are numerous sources of revenue within easy reach of the legislative arm of government, and it should act promptly and decisively. This is no time to filibuster over impunctable currency schemes. First relieve the treasury and then talk currency reform. We now need the genius of a Hamilton to vitalize the enaciated form of finance and cause it to return to health again.

Born the Oregonian and the Statesman are now saying complimentary things of Messrs. Fulton and Tongue, the persuasive gentlemen who were snowed under by the big republican caucus. The Statesman predicts a brilliant future for these gentlemen on condition that they repent and be baptized in the goldbug fountain.

The Statesman says: "If it will kill several scores of useless bills, the senatorial deadlock will, after all, not be an unmixed evil." Our contemporary's remark is luminously perspicacious. The defeat of a score or more of worthless, senseless and extravagant bills is even paramount to what shall be United States senator.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder

World's Fair Highest Medal and Diploma.

Guaranteed Cure.
We authorize our advertised druggist to sell Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, upon this condition. If you are afflicted with Coughs, Cold or any Lung, Throat or Chest trouble, and will use this remedy as directed, giving it a fair trial, and experience no benefit, you may return the bottle and have your money refunded. We could not make this offer did we not know that Dr. King's New Discovery could be relied upon. It never disappoints. Trial bottles free at any Drug Store. Large size 50c, and \$1.00.

Stockholders Meeting.
Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of The Independence Water and Electric Light Co. will be held at the Independence National Bank, Independence, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 26th day of January, 1895, at 7 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing officers for said company and attending to such other business as may come before said meeting.
H. H. JARVIS, Secy.



HEART DISEASE!

Fluttering, No Appetite, Cold Not Sleep, Wind on Stomach.
"For a long time I had a terrible pain at my heart, which fluttered almost incessantly. I had no appetite and could not sleep. I would be compelled to sit up in bed and belch gas from my stomach until I thought that every minute would be my last. There was a feeling of oppression about my heart, and I was afraid to draw a full breath. I could not sweep a room without resting. My husband induced me to try

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure
and am happy to say it has cured me. I now have a splendid appetite and sleep well. Its effect was truly marvelous."
MRS. HARRY E. STARR, Pottsville, Pa.
Dr. Miles' Heart Cure is sold on a positive guarantee that the first bottle will benefit. All druggists sell it in 25c bottles for \$1, or by the Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

RACY CALIFORNIA LETTER

Wonderful Productiveness of the Sacramento Valley.
Unprecedented Rain—Great Damage by Floods—The Climate, Soil and Crops of California.

We herewith publish a leading extract from a letter written by Hon. Reese Clark, of Woodland, Cal., to the editor of this paper. Many of the old settlers of Polk county will remember Mr. Clark as a little "tow-headed" boy, an orphan waif cast upon the restless sea of pioneer life, and subsequently as an ambitious youth who sought to win from "cruel fate and iron fortune" a place and name among his fellowmen. Mr. Clark emigrated to California early in the '70's, studied law, was admitted to the bar, and is now enjoying a lucrative practice. He was attorney for the state in the prosecution of the Woodland train wreckers, the recent trial of whom has awakened wide spread interest throughout the country. It affords us a great deal of pleasure to learn that Mr. Clark has successfully climbed the slippery rounds of the legal ladder, for he was our boyhood's "chum," and we knew of and sympathized with his derring-do, but laudable, ambition. His letter is largely retrospectively reminiscent. He speaks of the pioneer days, his own early struggles, and pays a generous tribute to the memory of the old pioneers, many of whom have passed over to the silent beyond. Mr. Clark pays a special glowing tribute to the late James W. Nesmith, to whom he says he owes a debt of gratitude for words of helpful encouragement.

We quote as follows from Mr. Clark's letter:
"I live in the best portion of the great Sacramento valley, the Andalusia of the Pacific coast. It is the finest body of land in California, and, I think, in the world. Here is produced all the tropical and semi-tropical fruits, together with nearly all the cereals and nuts known to civilization. In fact there is such great diversity of soil and climate within the scope of this mighty valley, that almost everything known to the vegetable, fruit and cereal world, that mankind has any use for, can be grown in abundance. And not only is the soil and climate prolific and diversified, but the spurs of the noble and perennially snow capped Sierras, which jut down into the valley, for more than forty years have been over generous in their output of gold and silver and other precious metals.

At Woodland, the county seat of Yolo county, which, by the way, is the best county in the state, we have had this year a regular "Oregon mist" of 23 inches of rain, about 12 inches more than we usually have up to this time, and the flood created thereby has played the mischief with our river farmers. One of my clients has lost 8,000 acres of fine wheat which stood about four inches high when his levees broke and flooded his ranches. His fields are now about eight feet under water. This, however, is not a total loss, as the practice in such cases is to follow up the receding waters in the sheep and plant corn, barley, potatoes and other garden "truck." Crops thus planted often produce more profitably than wheat, the Sacramento river furnishing a cheap and convenient route of transportation to San Francisco.

Two of my sons (now about my size) are farming near here, the one next to them in age is a junior in the state university at Berkeley, where I have a pleasant family residence; my other "olive branches" (too numerous to mention) are either in the high school or in the public schools. My old home and residence is here at Woodland, with an office here, at Berkeley and at San Francisco, my family vibrating between our home here and at Berkeley.

But now comes the item that pleases the editor best, that makes glad the heart of the old gray headed cockroach that is pining away for a fresh pot of paste, that causes the "devil" to wash another week on credit, to-wit: Find herewith \$1.50 for a year's subscription, not \$1.50 in cabbages or cordwood, but coin of the realm.



Born a Genius

Disease Threatens to Cut Short a Noble Career
But Hood's Sarsaparilla Restores Good Health.
Lillie May Bentley is an accomplished abolitionist and national born speaker of only 12 years of age. She is the only child temperance lecturer before the public. Her genius, however, did not exempt her from an attack of a disease of the blood. Her own words best tell the story: "C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass."

Continued to Grow Worse.
I was persuaded finally by a friend to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. The use of one bottle acted effectively upon the blood and I began to improve. After the use of three bottles the gathering ceased and I am cured of my former trouble. I owe my life and will always remain a true friend to Hood's Sarsaparilla. LILLIE MAY BENTLEY, Shelbyville, Indiana. GET HOOD'S! Hood's Pills act easily, yet promptly and efficiently, on the liver and bowels. 25c.

Appointments.
Following are the appointments of M. I. Church, pastor of Independence, to preach at 7 o'clock, Sunday, at 11 a. m., Independence, at 7 o'clock, Sunday, at 11 a. m., Independence, at 7 o'clock, Sunday, at 11 a. m., Independence, at 7 o'clock, Sunday, at 11 a. m., Independence.

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And you can't eat without bread. If you want the best

BREAD
delivered at your door every morning, buy it at the
NEW BAKERY.
GEO. G. STRONG, Prop.

CITY LIVERY
SALE AND FEED STABLES.
KELLEY & ROY, Props.
Successors to A. W. Bookstader.
Styl. LIVERY STABLE At all hours
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Turnouts
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Good turnouts for Commercial men
Horses boarded by the week or month.
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City: Feed: Stable.
Eli Johnson, Prop.
Horses fed by the day, week or month. Transient stock left in our care will be well attended to. Charges reasonable.
Main St., - Independence.

THE NEW Harness Shop
F. E. SHAFER, Prop.
Sells the best hand-made harness and other saddle goods for less money than ever before offered. Don't buy factory-made stock when you can get the hand-made for the same money.
Repairing neatly and promptly done.
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Miss Sophia Goff.
Has lately returned from San Francisco and is prepared to give her patrons the benefit of a new system of Dress Cutting and Fitting.
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A fine line of samples always on hand to select from.
Satisfaction Guaranteed
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