

The Democrat.

THE SAME OLD QUESTION.

And now, then, we are told by the dispatches that the silver men in Washington will not support Windom's silver scheme. As was stated by the DEMOCRAT at the time his scheme was made public, the silver men can not be brought to support it for it practically destroys silver as a legal tender circulating medium. As a matter of fact this silver question is the same old war of the gold bugs and the great mass of the people. The gold bugs want a contraction of the currency or circulating medium of the country in order that its purchasing power may be relatively increased. Money has no absolute value. Its value is only relative. To make money scarce is to increase its purchasing power. To increase the circulating medium is to diminish its purchasing power. The creditor is benefited by contraction because it increases the purchasing power of his dollars. The debtor is injured by contraction because it increases the purchasing power of the dollars which he owes, and, relatively speaking, weakens his ability to obtain money. In 1873 the republican leaders in congress, at the dictation of these bondholders and gold bugs, passed a law demonetizing silver—that is destroying its legal tender quality. It was done in a stealthy way and the people were not apprized of the passage of the law until several months after its passage. The business and commercial depression that followed was so wide spread and far reaching in its effects that a clamor was set up for a restoration of silver. The democrats took the lead in this movement, but they were warned by these republican congressmen that a financial panic would follow the re-coinization of silver, that gold would all be driven out of the country, and that we would have nothing left but cheap and depreciated money to do the business of the country with. But the necessities of the people were great and the effort to restore silver was kept up until it culminated in the passage of the Bland bill in 1875 which provided that government should purchase silver bullion from time to time and coin not less than two millions nor more than four millions per month. At the time of the passage of this act \$22 to \$23 in silver were necessary to purchase \$20 in gold. But since the law went into operation silver dollars have circulated by the side of gold without any evil effects to either currency. Unfortunately for the merits of silver we have not had a secretary of the treasury who was in any wise friendly to it, and no attempt on the part of the treasury department has ever been made to treat it fairly and put it in circulation either by republican or democratic officials. The bond holders are largely influential in this attempt to destroy silver as a circulating medium, for the reason, that, as a matter of law, their bonds are redeemable in the legal tender coin in use when the bonds were issued under the existing scheme, and they fear they may be compelled to take silver dollars in payment for their bonds. But the sentiment of the country is largely in favor of the use of silver and Windom's scheme will fall to the ground and be almost forgotten in a few weeks. People are not to be freighted into giving up silver on the ground that its continued coinage will drive gold out of our markets into foreign ones, for they have seen that matter tested. Silver is all right.

AN ARTISTIC ERA.—This seems to be an artistic era, and in no field is there a finer taste displayed than in the manufacture of presents for the holiday trade. We wonder at the skill used in the invention of many of the things seen at Foshay & Mason's purchased for Christmas giving. Not alone Christmas cards, in many and varied styles, in beautifully blended colors and ingenious designs; but as well their albums, perfume cases, toilet sets, dressing cases, etc., show the same refined skill in construction and embellishment. An examination of Foshay & Mason's holiday stock is an art exhibition of itself. But it is not a display of the ornamental alone by any means. Many useful articles are none the less valuable because attractive to the eye; but the more should be sought. A love of the beautiful even in articles of utility shows a higher civilization and no where are the people of the world more generous of their appreciation of nice things than in Albany and Linn county. Already the sale of holiday goods at Foshay & Mason's is very large and the tide is increasing that way. The people know a good thing.

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We have bought all the negatives made by L. W. Clark and W. H. Greenwood up to Nov 15th, 1889. Duplicates can be had from them only of us at reduced rates. We have also about 18,000 negatives made by ourselves, from which duplicates can be had at like rates. We carry the only full line of views of this state and do enlarged work at lowest rates for first class work. We shall be pleased to see you at our Studio in Froman's block, next door to Masonic Temple.

7 Oils cures rheumatism, neuralgia and toothache. Foshay & Mason Agents.

The delegates from the country districts promise to make things lively for the Portland jobbers at the next republican state convention. The Eastern Oregon folks are coming down with blood in their eye in demanding the treasuryship, and Southern Oregon aspires to name the congressman and governor. But just wait until Joe Simon cracks the party lash, and dictates the nomination—Post and World.

If you have any job work to do call on G. W. Smith who is prepared to do it with neatness and dispatch, and as cheap as anyone.

Low prices and first quality goods at French's, The corner jewelry store.

SANTA CLAUS HEADQUARTERS.—We have just received an immense stock of holiday goods, consisting of the following:

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| Tapers, | Walnuts, |
| Tree ornaments, | Filberts, |
| Taper holders, | Brazil nuts, |
| Cream candles, | Pecans, |
| Ribbon mixed candies, | Peanuts, |
| Plain " " " " " " " " | Oranges, |
| Fancy " " " " " " " " | Lemons, |
| | Vegetables, |
| Cauliflower, | Parsnips, |
| Celery, | Cabbage, |
| Sweet potatoer, | Caulrabi, |
| Beets, | Cerrots, |
| | Poultry, |
| Turkeys, | Ducks, |
| Geese, | Chickens, |

All of the above will be kept on hand during the holidays.

WILLAMETTE PACKING CO.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Gao C. and Edward Will, under the firm name of Will Bros., has been dissolved. Gao C. Will retiring. Accounts should be paid to the old firm, by whom all debts will be paid. The new firm, Will & Link, will continue business at the old stand. WILL BROS.

GET YOUR WOOD NOW.—The undersigned having purchased the wood yard and wood of P. W. Spink desires to inform the public that he is prepared to fill all orders for oak, ash, maple and fir wood. Orders left at the office of Wallace & Cusick will be promptly attended to. FRED W. BLUMBERG.

LOST.—A small nickel watch, silver chain, somewhere between Jefferson street and Central school house. Return to G. W. Smith and be suitably rewarded.

COUNTY TREASURERS NOTICE.—This is to notify all concerned that there is now sufficient funds in the County Treasurer's office of Linn county Oregon to redeem all outstanding warrants. Interest on all endorsed warrants will cease from this date.

H. FARWELL
Treasurer

MONEY TO LOAN.—The undersigned has some capital to loan on good real estate property. GEO. HOMPNEY.

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SEVERAL SMALL TRACTS of land near town for sale on easy terms. Inquire of H. Bryant.

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FOR RENT.—A small house and barn. Inquire of E. R. M. Carter, cor 4th and Railroad St.

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Holiday Announcement.

I have a variety of articles suitable for holiday presents, as follows:

Dress silks in a great variety, in blacks and colors, fancy silk ties, silk mufflers, silk handkerchiefs for ladies and gentlemen, silk umbrellas, gold and silver handles, for ladies and gentlemen, ordered especially for the holidays; embroidered linen handkerchiefs, for ladies and gentlemen in colors and white, ladies portmonies, ladies and men's kid gloves, furs, boas and muffs, ladies and gent's fine slippers and shoes, cloth and sealette cloaks and wraps, ladies' and misses' rugs and bed spreads, table linen cloths and napkins to match, fancy China tea sets, fancy China dinner sets, all hand painted, a very large line of novelties in China, consisting of vases, tooth pick holders, card receivers, salad bowls, fruit bowls, ice cream sets, mush and milk sets, finger bowls, pie and tea plates, individual butters, covered butter dishes, cream and sugar sets, salt and pepper sifters, cracker jars, fancy soap dishes, and tooth brush holders, China tea pot stands, cuspadores, the largest and finest line of fancy China cups and saucers, hand painted, ever brought to Albany.

These goods I have arranged on table in second story and it will pay the public to inspect them whether buying or not

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