

INDEBTEDNESS OF KITTITAS COUNTY.

The bonded indebtedness of Kittitas county June 30th, 1893 was reported by J. E. Frost, County Auditor, as follows:

Seventy-eight \$1,000.00 funding bonds issued and dated March 1st, 1892, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, interest payable annually, due 20 years from date of issue with option of redemption after 10 years. \$78,000 00

WARRANT INDEBTEDNESS.

General county fund warrants outstanding, No. 120 to No. 3814, State series "A," issued from Feb. 25th, 1890 to Dec. 7th, 1891, \$81,063 25

General county fund warrants issued prior to Feb. 25th, 1890 and for which a call has been made by the county Treasurer that have not been presented for payment, \$3,613 10

Court house and jail warrants outstanding, \$3,750 00

Currant fund warrants outstanding, \$6,498 57

Total indebtedness, \$172,925 92

Or a standing debt of about \$20 per capita. What is there to show for this vast indebtedness? It is time to call a halt. The people are greatly pressed to meet the debts and demand retrenchment and reform in the management of county administration. Will we get it? No. Not under the present reign.

The republicans in congress voted to demonetize silver in 1873 and again in 1893. It is silly to say they are in favor of free silver.—Union, Butler, Mo.

WILL YOU ANSWER?

If the government can carry a letter across the continent for two cents, why cannot it send a telegraphic message correspondingly cheap?

If the government can build and manage a navy, why cannot it build and operate a railroad?

If the government can run the treasury department, why cannot it run the banks?

If the government can maintain an army of soldiers in idleness, why cannot it support an army of laborers at some useful occupation?

If the government can serve the people at less cost than private corporations, why does it not do so?—Boston Investigator.

When a republican editor calls the Wilson bill, free trade he shows himself either a consummate fool or an infernal liar.—Union, Butler, Missouri.

HOW THEY DO IT.

The 51st Congress was in session just 13 months, and in that short period it squandered of the people's money one billion dollars. The war of the revolution which lasted eight years, cost \$135,000,000. The second war with Great Britain, which lasted 3 years, cost \$107,000,000.

The Mexican war, which lasted nearly 4 years, cost \$100,000,000.

Yet the money squandered by the last Congress was eight times greater than the cost of the revolution, nine times greater than the cost of the war of 1812, ten times greater than the cost of the Mexican war, and one sixth of the cost of the civil war.—West and South.