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Weather Forecast.

Northern California—Fair Wednesday; continued warm weather inland; light westerly winds on the coast, increasing in force in the afternoon; fog on the coast.

THE MIDDLE GROUND.

The article in the "Record-Union" of Monday proposing a way out of financial difficulties regarding silver meets with general favor, and we are able to state that it meets also the best judgment of many able financiers and finds favor with the more radical currency reformers in large number.

It is simple, understandable and meets the need, namely, that there shall be a larger volume of silver put into current use; and it harmonizes the differing views of bimetalists also. It will avoid the fears of those who look upon the free and unlimited coinage of silver as full of menace to the prosperity of the country, and at the same time it responds to the demand of the extreme silver men for a material increase in the volume of silver money, and a decrease in the volume of gold money in domestic circles, without lessening its volume for foreign exchange purposes.

The proposition is that all kinds of silver coinage and its representatives shall be raised in legal tender capacity to \$50; that no gold or representative of gold coinage shall issue in denominations of less than \$20; finally, coin the bullion now in the Treasury, something over \$60,000,000.

This would not antagonize any expression in the platform of the Republican party and would accomplish the purpose desired by all, namely, the enlargement of the volume of money current. It would make a larger use of silver, the demand for it being recognized by all minds that have studied the question as not unreasonable, though the forms the demand takes are more or less radical or conservative. The Republican party under its platform could carry out the plan without sacrifice of any declared or entertained opinion, and with protection to American industries and production coupled with it, could assure the country of prosperity and of plenty of safe money for current use, that would give us the relief demanded, and not at all imperil the stability of commercial markets.

INTERESTING EXHIBIT.

In these pessimistic days it would seem to be the office of some people to accept as solemn truth about all things and anything that the calamity-hunters choose to charge. Thus, it is repeatedly stated that our exports of domestic merchandise amount to nothing, that practically we have no export trade. Our trade is not, and probably never will be what we would like it to be. In that matter desire will always pace realization. Our ambition in that direction will never be satisfied. But whatever the present truth is should be known and stated, since the truth, no matter where it falls, can always afford to be spoken. In another column, therefore, we give a very brief table of our domestic merchandise exports as compiled from the very latest reports of statistics from the United States Treasury Department. It will be found not uninteresting, and will serve to answer the question of such of our readers as are asking what are our exports and what their value.

Five years ago the farmers of the West had good prices and big crops at the same time. Their wheat brought twice what it brings to-day. But the monetary situation was then as it is now. The change is due, then, to foreign competition, lessened demand for American products abroad, and to the reversal of the protection policy. Investment has not been made, because there is distrust and fear. Money is plenty, and not the money of the rich, but the millions of the owners of small savings, go begging for investment.

As a result, there is a very limited demand for labor, and wages are few and low. How shall confidence be restored and industrial activity renewed? By returning to the American doctrine that home labor shall be protected against foreign competition; more than that also, that the long-established policy of the Republican party shall be realized in the greater rigor in restricting the import of foreign laborers, who come into the country to lower the industrial level and herd like cattle in the central mining regions and Middle States, instead of living as American civilization demands of the American wage earner. The restoration of the protective policy alone will give us a revival of prosperity.

In the Spanish Senate the other day the representative of Cuba, Senor Labra of Havana, declared that "Home Rule is the only hope for Cuba under Spanish influence." In this expression General Campos, late Governor-General of Cuba, concurred, and what is more significant, Prime Minister Canovas acquiesced, saying in addition that Home Rule will be granted to Cuba, but not until the rebellion is wholly suppressed. Here is the error of the Ministry of Spain. If the Spanish Ministry is convinced that Home Rule is a Cuban right, why not make it a means to the suppression of the rebellion?

Without protection no fiscal policy by resolution will be worth a straw to the American industry. Protection is the main issue, however it may be overclouded in the present by the financial propositions of conventions. It means not only revenue for the support of the Government, but conservation of industries that will restore the American artisan to the fields of active labor at good paying wages, under which it will matter very little to American workers in what they are paid, so long as a dollar buys a dollar's worth.

The Democratic platform intimates that the tariff is not an issue this year. Then, why did the platform makers devote so much time and space to it? Industrial restoration they declare, in effect, is not an issue, but monetary experimenting is, for Mr. Boies declared that it is experimental, whatever is done. But the tariff is not a matter of experiment. The American people have had experiment without limit in that direction, and now know just what the country needs to effect industrial restoration.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

The cholera in Egypt is raging, and the push of the pest up the Nile is likely to prove more disastrous to the British and Egyptian forces in the Soudan than the spears of the Mahdists.

For the first time in the history of the party the Democracy in its platform does not "point with pride." But, then, it makes up for the omission by "viewing with alarm."

There is another reason why Mr. "Bryan" cannot hope for the support of the Populists—he wears no whiskers, and Mr. McKinley is in the same fix. But McKinley has not dropped the "Mo" from his name. He is rather proud of it.

Under the leadership of Johann Proudhon Algeid of Chicago Johann Most of New York has identified himself with the Democratic party, and is out in expressions of approval of the course of Algeid and the Chicago convention. The anarchists are logically and consistently opposed to protection. To them it is simply abhorrent as one of the worst forms of government by force and in restraint of that individual liberty, which, according to their doctrine, is to give us an ideal system of society some time. We are not surprised, therefore, that Herr Most and his fellow-anarchists endorse the Democratic platform so far as it goes, though it does not, they say, go far enough. However, they are pleased and are climbing into the band wagon at the head of the procession.

Dollars do not make business, but business makes dollars, and protection makes business.

Svengali Algeid and Little Billee O'Bryan are admirably adapted to do up the Tribly Democracy.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.

The following articles of incorporation have been filed in the office of the Secretary of State:

Doni Centum Development and Prospecting Company. Formed to prospect for precious metals and doing a general business in mines and claims. Principal place of business San Francisco. Directors—Arthur G. Comstock, Levi Burden, Bruno P. Ukin, Thomas Willward, G. Griffith, John W. McAdoo, John Henry Robinson, W. W. Young, G. F. Klatt, San Francisco; W. J. Norwood, Oakland; J. F. Young, Lorin. Capital stock, \$50,000, of which \$20,000 has been actually subscribed.

The Ladies' Mutual Beneficent Society of Oakland. Formed to afford relief to sick members of the society, and to provide for the burial of dead ones. Principal place of business, Oakland. Directors—S. A. Honnager, O. E. Sanderson, Ellen Mason, V. A. Dewson, Oakland; H. M. Upsher, San Francisco. The Pacific Sanitarium and School of Osteopathy. Formed to establish and conduct a scientific educational college, wherein the principles of osteopathy shall be taught. Principal place of business, Anaheim, Orange County. Directors—Dr. B. W. Scheurer, Dr. A. C. Moore, F. M. Brown, Mrs. Lena S. Brown, F. S. Northrop, Mrs. Flora C. Scheurer, all of Anaheim.

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Just now are neither fashionable nor comfortable. Why wear one when STRAW HATS are so natty and low priced at

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802 J STREET

AT KLAMATH HOT SPRINGS.

A Retreat Where Life is Worth the Living.

How the Guests There Are Passing the Midsummer Days and Nights.

(Special Correspondence of Record-Union.) KLAMATH HOT SPRINGS, July 12th.—Your correspondent arrived here a few days ago and found that many improvements had been made during the year. While valley people are sweltering in the excessive heat, we are enjoying pleasant weather, as a cool breeze blows up the valley, making life here pleasant and agreeable.

About forty guests are here at present and all are bent on having a good time. This place is a haven of rest for school-marks this year. About a dozen of them are here and a jolly crowd of them. The bloomer girls are also here, and almost every evening they don bloomers and go for a horseback ride, making the woods ring with their shouts and laughter. They don't ride in the old conventional style, but sit astride. Coming from their ride last evening they ran a race, and Miss L— carried off the honors and won applause by her skill and horsemanship.

Outing and fishing parties go out every day and always return with plenty of trout, caught in that grand and picturesque stream known as Shovel Creek.

The trout here are rising to the fly splendidly, and guests bring in from twenty to fifty fine ones at every fishing.

The ride from Ager to the springs is a delightful one, as the company have taken off the heavy stage and put on a large, easy-riding carriage which makes the trip in three hours and a half.

The swimming tank and bathhouses have all been remodeled. The management have secured for the summer Mr. Ammen, late of Arkansas Springs and the Hammam Baths of San Francisco, who gives massage and alcohol rubbing. Under his treatment rheumatism disappears. He attends to the mud baths, and it is a pleasure to indulge in one of those baths.

The table and service are excellent, the proprietors sparing neither pains nor expense to please all who come to this famous resort.

Jacob Richmond, an employe of the Klamath River Lumber Company, was killed on the 9th, near their camp, about four miles from the springs. He had stepped off the railroad track to let a train load of logs pass, and when near him, one large log that weighed over 2,000 pounds, rolled from one of the cars and caught him, pinning him to the ground. He was crushed into a shapeless mass.

The next day the engine ran into a drove of hogs, ditching the engine and cars, and killed another employe. Henry Clark, a brakeman, was crushed to death between the logs, and the engineer was badly hurt, having his right hand lacerated.

Life here is one round of pleasure and enjoyment. One does not get lonesome, as there are plenty of amusements, such as croquet, fishing, hunting, outing, camping, horseback riding, swimming,

card parties, hay rides, etc. Your correspondent sympathizes with all who are in the valley, and wishes they could enjoy this cool and refreshing climate. J. A. M.

Petition to Administer Estates.

H. W. Foster, by his attorneys, White, Hughes & Seymour, has petitioned the Superior Court for letters of administration on the estate of Caleb Tyler, deceased.

Emily C. Hanlon has, by her attorney, A. M. Johnson, petitioned for letters of administration on the estate of John Hanlon, deceased.

Reduced Its Capital.

The California Safe Deposit and Trust Company of San Francisco has filed with the Secretary of State a certificate of diminution of its capital stock from \$2,000,000 to \$1,000,000. The company was originally incorporated April 21, 1882, with a capital stock of \$2,000,000, of which \$1,170,700 was subscribed.

Lame Back

Weak Kidneys, Lumbago, Rheumatism and Sciatica Are Cured by DR. SANDEN'S ELECTRIC BELT



A STRONG CURRENT OF ELECTRICITY is felt by the wearer every moment this belt is on the body. It can be regulated by a new patent regulator so as to make it as strong or mild as you want it.

The dull, aching tired feeling that comes after standing long on the feet, the sharp pains which shoot along the spine and the weakness in the loins are evidences of relaxed, weak muscles, which can be contracted and vigorous strength given them by DR. SANDEN'S ELECTRIC BELT.

It conveys a steady, soothing current of electricity into the weakened muscles, giving them a healthy nerve power, which revives them. It makes them strong. It is curing hundreds every month. See what this man says:

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When I bought it last December I was troubled with a continual pain in the back and sometimes extending up to the shoulder blades. I had been troubled for years and had tried everything in the line of doctors and advertised remedies without relief. I was also very constipated and had to take laxatives every day. I finally made up my mind to try one of your Belts, and I am glad I did so.

In about three weeks after putting the Belt on all the pain had gone and I have felt none since. My back is now strong and will stand all the strain I can put on it without hurting. My bowels are as regular as clockwork, and I have gained ten pounds in weight. I shall always speak well of your Belt, for it has done for me what nothing else could do. I think it is the best thing ever invented for the cure of weakness and disease. Yours truly, HENRY STRUBBER, 1911 Dupont Street, San Francisco.

It Cures Lame Back In from two to eight weeks. If you suffer try it. It will save you many doctors' bills. Book, with full information, free. Address or call. SANDEN ELECTRIC CO., 622 Market street, opposite Palace Hotel, San Francisco. Office hours, 8 a. m. to 8:30 p. m. Sundays, 10 to 1. Los Angeles office, 204 South Broadway. Portland office, 255 Washington st.

FROM ONE WHO KNOWS. SAN FRANCISCO, August 31, 1895. The Linen-Mesh Underwear (Deimel) was received and donned with much pleasure. It is very comfortable and I shall commend it to my patients. GEO. G. GERE, M. D., Secretary Board of Examiners Ecclesiastical Med. Society. OPP. PLAZA AGENT.

OUR SODA WATER, 5c. Has caused nearly as much favorable comment as our POPULAR CUT-RATE PRICES. Frosted Cream is a delicious adjunct to our made right and served right SODA. ING & ALLEE, CUT-RATE DRUGGISTS, 712 J STREET, SACRAMENTO. SEND THE WEEKLY UNION TO YOUR friends in the East.

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HALE'S Semi-Annual CLEARANCE SALE.

IT'S DOLLARS YOU WANT To save when making purchases of needed goods and your trade is given to the merchant who offers most for your money. IT'S DOLLARS WE WANT In exchange for the best values in Summer Goods that we know of, and we are getting them, too. People who are careful in making expenditures are crowding our stores and keeping our clerks and delivery wagons busy every day. 'Twill pay you to give us a call at any hour in the day while this sale continues.

HALE'S Semi-Annual CLEARANCE SALE.

Dress Goods. IMPORTED CHALLIS, 30 inches wide and all wool, printed in very handsome designs. About 25 choice patterns that were formerly 50c a yard. CLEARANCE PRICE, 15c. HOMESPUN in fancy plaid, two-tone mixtures, 28 inches wide, 12 choice patterns. Formerly 20c a yard. CLEARANCE PRICE, 12c.

Cloak Department. CHILDREN'S DRESSES, light and medium-colored percale. Made with bretelles and puffed sleeves and prettily braided. Formerly \$1 50 each. CLEARANCE PRICE, \$1.

Domestic Department. TABLE OILCLOTHS that had very slight imperfections when received from the factory, and we have been advised by the makers to close them out for them at prices one-half below regular value. Your pick of marbled and white, 48 inches wide, 10c per yard; 56 inches wide, 15c per yard. BLEACHED MUSLIN, 36 inches wide, especially adapted for linings and children's wear. CLEARANCE PRICE, 23 YARDS FOR \$1.

Hat Department. CHILDREN'S YACHT SHAPE STRAW SAILORS, fine fancy white braids and children's fancy brown and white and blue and white Straw Sailors. Formerly \$1 25 and \$1 50 each. CLEARANCE PRICE, \$1. CHILDREN'S FANCY WHITE STRAW SAILOR HATS and Boys' Fine Quality Yacht Shape Straw Hats. Formerly \$1 each. CLEARANCE PRICE, 50c.

Clothing Department. MEN'S SACK SUITS, in dressy chevots, cassimeres and tweeds, all nicely trimmed. Formerly marked \$3 50, \$9, \$10 and \$12 each. CLEARANCE PRICE, \$5. No extra charge for making alterations. BOYS' REEFER SUITS in nobby patterns. Your pick of either dark or light, with pretty cord or braid trimming. \$2 50 and \$3 values reduced to \$1 50. \$3 50 and \$4 values reduced to \$2 50. \$5 and \$6 values reduced to \$3 50. Ages 8 to 7 years.

Notion Department. SHELF PAPER in assorted colors and pretty lacework patterns. It's extra wide and worth 4c a package. CLEARANCE PRICE, 2c. MOST PAINTS, put up in neat boxes. There are 17 colors and shades, one brush and two mixing dishes. Former price 10c a box. CLEARANCE PRICE, 5c. HAIR BRUSHES, with mixed bristles and finely polished wood backs. Regular price 20c each. CLEARANCE PRICE, 8c.

Shoe Department. LADIES' SHOES—Fine Kid Lace Oxfords and Southern Ties, some kid, some cloth tops, in pointed and square toe styles. Former value, \$4 and \$5 a pair. A mixed lot in broken sizes. CLEARANCE PRICE, \$1. LADIES' SHOES, in low cut styles. All have flexible soles and patent tips. Not all sizes, but values range from \$1 50 to \$3 a pair. CLEARANCE PRICE, 50c. LADIES' SHOES—A large mixed lot of Fine Grade Slippers and One-strap Sandals. Not all sizes. Colors, bronze and black. Former price, \$3 a pair. CLEARANCE PRICE, 75c. MEN'S SHOES—A large mixed lot in button and hook and lace and gaiter styles. All genuine calf. They are mostly small and large sizes. Former price, \$3 a pair. CLEARANCE PRICE, \$1. MEN'S SHOES—A great variety of Men's Shoes; fine calf; hand and Goodyear welt sewed. Broken sizes in 8 or 10 styles. Former prices, \$4, \$5 and \$6 a pair. CLEARANCE PRICE, \$1 50.

Furnishing Goods. FANCY TECK SCARFS, for men and boys, in light and dark patterns. A great assortment to choose from. Regular 15c values. CLEARANCE PRICE, 5c. BOYS' NIGHTSHIRTS, fancy trimmed and well made. Sizes 12 to 14. Regular 50c goods. CLEARANCE PRICE, 25c. MEN'S SHIRTS, made of fancy percale, with two collars and one pair of cuffs to match. Stripes and checks in light and medium shades. Were considered good value at \$1 each. CLEARANCE PRICE, 50c. MEN'S SHIRTS, with fancy percale bosom and attached cuffs to match. No collars, as they are made to wear with white ones. Regular \$1 quality. CLEARANCE PRICE, 50c.

Fancy Goods. Dresden Ribbons. They are all-silk and No. 9 in width; several grounds, covered with pretty Dresden figures. Worth over double. CLEARANCE PRICE, 7c YARD. Windsor Scarfs. All silk, in very pretty designs, and worth fully double. CLEARANCE PRICE, 10c. Embroidered Full Flouncings. An entire stock of Hemstitched and Scaloped Edge Flouncings. Former prices, \$1, \$1 25 and \$1 50 a yard. All choice patterns. CLEARANCE PRICE, 75c. Ladies' Gloves. Ladies' 8-Button Undressed Kid Gloves; a very fine quality; in a good line of colors. All sizes. CLEARANCE PRICE, 75c. Grass Linen Embroidered Flouncings. Also the edgings and insertings. High novelties in exclusive designs for this season. Flouncings—Cut from \$1 25 to 62 1/2c a yard Cut from \$1 50 to 75c a yard Cut from \$2 25 to \$1 12 1/2 a yard Edgings—Cut from 10c to 5c a yard Cut from 15c to 10c a yard Cut from 20c to 10c a yard Cut from 25c to 12 1/2c a yard Cut from 35c to 17 1/2c a yard Cut from 50c to 25c a yard Insertings at Half-Prices Also.

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