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OPERATIONS OF THE MINTS

COINAGE OF THE YEAR AMOUNTED TO 176,999,132 PIECES.

Director Roberts Would Increase the Stock of Subsidiary Coin to \$120,000,000, Utilizing Silver on Hand.

The report of George E. Roberts, director of the mint, upon the operations of the mint service during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1901, has been completed. The coinage of the mints during the fiscal year amounted to 176,999,132 pieces, of the value of \$136,340,781.

New Philadelphia Mint. Coinage operations were conducted during the year in the mints at Philadelphia, San Francisco and New Orleans. The Philadelphia mint is now in its new quarters, and the old site, including the structure, will be offered for sale to the highest bidder.

Yearly Colnage of Gold. The estimated production of gold in the United States during the calendar year 1900 was of the value of \$79,171,000, and notwithstanding the fact that this country led the world in production its imports exceeded its exports by \$12,000,000.

Stop Coining Silver Dollars. If enough of this were coined into dollar pieces to take up the treasury notes issued for its cost, there would remain 15,533,892 standard ounces of silver.

WORK OF THE WEATHER BUREAU. Annual Report of the Chief, Prof. Moore. In the course of his annual report to the Secretary of Agriculture, Prof. Willis L. Moore, chief of the bureau, has made the main-land and Tatosoh Island and the main-land on the Pacific coast. The system of selective telegraphy, he regards as well demonstrated theoretically, but has not been fully tested in practice.

PAINTING UNVEILED. Ceremony Attending High Mass at St. Patrick's. During yesterday's solemn high mass at St. Patrick's Church Dr. Stafford unveiled the painting of the Virgin presented to the parish recently. Those who officiated in the ceremonies were Right Rev. Monsignor Rooker, celebrant; Rev. Thomas S. Dolan, deacon; Rev. John Gaynor, subdeacon.

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New German Line to Manila. Vice Consul General Murphy at Frankfurt has informed that the German line, which is under the joint control of the North German-Lloyd and the Hamburg-American companies, now furnishes direct communication between Hamburg and Manila.



Cheerful exchange after Christmas in case mistake has been made in selection of size. Please make your choice now that you may have the full assortment to pick from. We'll hold it for delivery until you are ready.

- DOUBLE-faced Cloth Jackets, plain shade outside, with plaid on reverse side—that is turned to face lapels, pockets and cuffs; fastenings with silk frogs; worth \$6.50. Special... \$5.00
- BLUE Gray English Cloth Jackets, with reverse side of small check on inside and face; edges piped with silk cord; silk frogs for fastenings; very stylish jackets; worth \$10. Special... \$7.50
- PLAIN Brown Cloth Jackets, with reverse side of tan; facing of lapels, cuffs and pockets are of the tan, trimmed with tan and brown silk cord, and fastenings with silk frogs to match; worth \$15. Special... \$12.00

Extra! Special Sale of House Coats.

This is a year-around stock with us, and, of course, some of the part of the regular stock and are thus slightly defaced are separated from the regular stock. It's a chance to make selection for about half the regular value. We don't promise all sizes in each lot. It's our way to do this NOW, when it will be of some advantage to you.

- LOT 1—Tricot, Double-faced, and Plain Cloth Jackets; some are silk faced and satin bound; regular prices have been \$2.50 and \$4. Special REDUCTION to... \$2.25
- LOT 2—Tricot, Matelasse and Double-faced Cloth and Japanese Silk Jackets; finished and trimmed nicely; prices have been up to \$7.50. Special REDUCTION to... \$3.95

Men's Holiday Haberdashery Novelties.

We know that men want exclusive effects in their Furnishing Goods—and on that score these will appeal to them. The credit of thoughtful and tasteful selection will be yours. The values are without exception above the standard fixed by contemporaneous prices.

- FANCY Web Suspenders, new effects, strong and sightly, with patent cast-offs; each pair separately boxed. A holiday leader for... 25c.
- PLAIN White, Blue, Red, Lavender and Fancy Silk Suspenders; strong mountings; each pair in a box. An extraordinary value for... 50c.
- FANCY and Solid-Cord Silk Suspenders, with sterling silver mountings (and will engrave the initials free); each pair in a box. Special... \$1.50
- MEN'S Japonette Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, full size, neatly embroidered letters; a big value for... 10c.
- MEN'S White Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, with initial; 100 all letters; half dozen in a neat box, for... \$1.00
- WHITE All-Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched and embroidered initial; all letters; very sheer and fine quality, for... 25c.
- SILK Handkerchiefs, full size carried by men, with elaborate embroidered initials, any letter. A special big value for... 25c.
- FINE Silk Handkerchiefs; some with large and some with small initials; hemstitched... 50c.
- MEN'S Fancy Bordered Handkerchiefs, neat, new effects; 75c. sheer quality; half dozen in a box—for... \$1.00
- BLACK Satin Dress Shields, with standing collar; lined with white satin; full size and fine quality... \$1.00
- NOVELTIES in Men's Dress Shields, in Satin, Barthea Silk and Peau de Soie Silk, including the latest twice-around... \$3.50
- MEN'S Lined and Unlined Tan and Gray Gloves; Tans are Dog-skin and Grays are Mocha; we know there's no Letter Glove sold for \$1.25 anywhere... \$1.00
- FULL Line of Dent's and Perrin's Celebrated English Gloves; for street and full dress wear; latest shades and tints and stitching. Dent's \$2.00; Perrin's... \$1.50
- SOLID Cowhide Leather Dress Suit Cases, lined with leather, brass buttons and lined in two sizes, 22 and 24-inch; case that sells regularly at \$7.50. Special, choice... \$5.50
- COWHIDE Leather Dress Suit Cases, with leather straps and brass trimmings; 22 and 24-inch; worth \$5.00. Special... \$4.00

HAGERSTOWN NEWS GRIST.

Activity on the Canal—Syndicate to Grow Orchards. Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. HAGERSTOWN, Md., December 8, 1901. In the progress of resetting the boundary between the Mason and Dixon lines the stones of the Mason and Dixon lines were placed by commissioners in charge here in this county. Many of these stones are in good condition. When the first three days out of steamers bound eastward. In a number of instances, when storms of marked strength were passing over the Chesapeake and Delaware bays, reports from steamers show that these forecasts and other special warnings have been verified.

The lines of work pursued in previous years by the climate and crop service of the weather bureau were continued, and the bureau has been beginning a similar work in California, to be known as the fruit and wheat service. Prof. Moore points with pride to the completion of the weather bureau has for the accurate and complete collection and dissemination of crop information, having a large number of paid employees and volunteers in the field. Reports from steamers weekly to central points on the effect of weather upon crops in their respective localities.

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The Saks Stores Leaders since 1867. The Shopping Mind is Turned Holidayward. And those seeking suitable gifts for Men and Boys—especially the ladies—will find our stock and service of matchless value. Our suggestions are of the practical. Our offerings are of the sweetheart. Our values and prices guaranteed. What the men themselves praise their sweethearts and wives can safely buy to give them. We've never met the holiday demand so admirably ready as now.

Smoking Jackets, House Coats & Bath Blankets. The ideal gift to a man is one of the other of these necessary luxuries. Nothing you can bestow brings forth such a hearty "thank you." As always we are showing the superior stock—rich in its wealth of novelty effects and those goodnesses characteristic of Saks Clothing. Not only the largest stock many times over, but the best values; and not only the largest and best, but the lowest in price. Made for us—so they are made our way.

- GRAY Rayon Robes, with border effect on collar, sleeves and bottom; long and full cut, with cord at neck and girdle at waist; a big value even for \$5. Special... \$3.95
- ENGLISH Cloth Bath Robes, in blue and brown check, with harmonizing border effect on sleeve and around bottom and collar; worth \$10.00. Special... \$7.50
- AUSTRIAN Blanket Robes, in Persian pattern; all wool, in red and tan colorings; box plait in back, cut in full, generous proportions; cord at neck and girdle at waist; worth \$13.50. Special... \$10.00

Special Tuxedo Suit.

While the price is most unusual, we want you to have a look at these Suits, for we have produced a wonderful value really. They are made of fine Full Dress Worsted, cut them in the latest style, with side pockets, faced them and made the coat collar of gros grain silk of excellent quality; edges are double stitched, and there's the fashionable fine welt seam finish to the trousers. They are perfect fitting, and nothing in general sale at \$20 is better in any feature. The full suit is on—\$15.00

- LOT 3—Velvet and Matelasse Jackets; some with quilted satin lining all through others satin-faced and bound; jackets that have sold up to \$10. Special REDUCTION to... \$5.95
- LOT 4—Velvet, Tricot, Matelasse and Bedford Cord Jackets, lined with satin and satin trimmed; high-class styles and fine values, that have sold \$8.75 REDUCTION to... \$5.95

Men's Holiday Neckwear. We've at least 10,000 Scarfs in all grades from 25c. to \$3, made up expressly for us in silks selected especially for the holidays. The patterns are all new and exclusive, while the shapes are of the very latest—made up for us by the best Neckwear makers in this country—six of them. We almost double usual values for this selling. A big leader—500 DOZEN Men's Fancy Silk Scarfs, in Tecks, Imperials, Reversible Four-in-Hands, Clubs and Barings; the silks are equal to those used in \$30. Ties, and the colorings are very artistic and fashionable. Choice... 25c.

Men's Holiday Umbrellas.

The Umbrella that is given the giver wants to be of exceptional value; not only attractive in effect, but with those sterling qualities for durability that will wear as evenly as the friendship that is expressed. Practical Umbrellas are what we have selected. Engraved FREE if they are engravable. MEN'S English Gloria Umbrellas, mounted on steel rods, with paragon frames; natural wood and trimmed handles; cases and tassels; either 26 or 28-inch. Special... \$1.00

Saks and Company, Pa. Ave. and 7th St.

HYATTSVILLE AND VICINITY. Rules for Recount of Ballots in Contested Election Cases. Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. HYATTSVILLE, Md., December 7, 1901. The clerk of the circuit court of Prince George's county at Marlboro' has received the rules, signed by Judge George C. Merrick, which are to govern contested election cases, resulting from dissatisfaction with the result of the last state election, held in November. The rules, among other things, set forth that the testimony in the cases shall be taken before a magistrate in the court house. Testimony for the contestants shall come in the form of rebuttal testimony, by January 1, 1902. From that date until the 10th the contestants will be heard.

Prohibitive Duty on American Iron. In answer to numerous inquiries from United States exporters, Commercial Agent Greener at Vladivostok has supplied the State Department with a list of the articles whose importation into Siberia from America is affected by the Russian tariff. It appears that there is a prohibitive duty on iron or steel of American origin, and importers are required to prove origin of their material before securing the reduced rate. Mr. Greener refrains from commenting on the tariff until the arrival of the Russian assistant secretary of finance, who was to hear the protests of the importers.

Rockville and Vicinity. General and Personal News from Montgomery County's Capital. Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. ROCKVILLE, Md., December 8, 1901. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse H. Roberts, an aged couple, who reside a short distance from this town, were seriously injured, accidentally, here about 5 o'clock this evening. While driving through town their horse became frightened by a portion of the harness becoming displaced and ran away. The buggy crashed into an electric light pole and both occupants were thrown out, striking the hard road with sufficient force to render both unconscious. They were carried to a nearby residence and a physician immediately summoned. Both quickly regained consciousness, and an examination showed that while no bones were broken, head and body. Mr. Roberts is eighty-three years of age and his wife only a few years his junior, and it is feared the shock may be attended with serious results. Late this evening the injured couple were conveyed to their home. The vehicle was completely demolished. The funeral of Miss Mary E. Gardner, who died of pneumonia Friday evening, was held at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Smith, on Saturday morning, December 7, 1901.