## THE INVESTOR <br> CONDUCTED BY GEO. A. DOBINSON

| OFFICE OF THE HERALD, Los Angeles, Nov. 19, 1897. <br> It is ansounced that the "three leadIng New York Hife Insurance companles will on and atter January 1 maintain all new polictes on an interest assumption of $31 / 2$ per cent instead of 4. This will involve an Increase in the rates of premiums iny all ages under 50 , but for 50 and over there will be a allght decrease." <br> The resular monthly bulletin issued by the bureat of statistics of the treasury department on Wednesday shows exmentioned to have been as foilows: Beadstuffs, s26,156,994; inorease as compared with October, 1896, \$8,292,012. Cotton, $\mathbf{8 3 2 , 3 4 5 , 3 5 5 ; \text { decrease, }}$ crease, $\$ 1,133,935$. Cattle and hogs, $\$ 2 .-$ 575,263; inciedse, $\$ 51,845$. Provisions, $\$ 10$,881,291; degrease, 3953,521 . For the last ten month the exports of these articles exceeded thope for the corresponding period las tyear by $\$ 37,129,631$. <br> Circulation still continues on the increase, as fshown in the treasury statement issupd this week, which exhibits a net inctiease of $\$ 27,892,366$ for the month of Qetober. The largest item of increase was a gain of $\$ 11,943,892$ in treasury notes of 1890. Almost as large was the increase in the circulation of gold coin, which amounted to $\$ 11,175,200$. Standard silver dollars showed an fncrease of $\$ 3,051,008$. Subsidiary silver showed an increase of $\$ 2,256,514$, and United States notes an increase of $\$ 7$,in currency certificates of $1872, \$ 1,781,3 \mathrm{sin}$ In silver certificates, $\$ 1,320,872$ in ne:tional bank notes, and $\$ 84,450$ in gold certificates. The statement showing the changes in money and bullion in the treasury exhibits but two items of increase, namely, $86,746,231$ in gold bullion and $\$ 1,183,177$ in national bank notes. prised $\$ 920,638$ in gold coin, $\$ 2,431,008$ in standard silver dollars, $81,474,097$ in subsldiary silyer, $\$ 13,964,882$ in treasury notes of $1890,37,201,454$ in United States notes and $\$ 224,698$ in silver bullion. There was a net decrease for the month of $\$ 18,287,379$. <br> The following table shows in deta!! the general stock of money coined or issued, the amount in the treasury and 1st: |
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