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Expansion of the Currency.

The extent to which the circulating medium of the United States has been expanded in recent years is one of marvels of the time. The monthly circulation statement just issued by the treasury department shows that the general stock of money of all sorts in the country on August 1, 1903, was \$2,895,440,174, which was a gain of \$7,290,553 in the month. The amount of the money in actual circulation on August 1 was \$2,382,018,496, a gain of nearly \$8,000,000 in the month and of over \$121,000,000 in twelve months. On the basis of the estimated population of the country on August 1 this was a per capita circulation of \$29.55, which is the highest figure ever touched.

In the middle of 1896, at the time of Bryan's reign of terror, the per capita circulation was \$21.10. It has, with few minor interruptions, been increasing ever since. Bryan's defeat in November, 1896, sent the circulation up above the point at which it rested in the early days of his canvass, when there was some dread that he would carry the country. It went up again just after the republicans entered power in March, 1897. The general tendency has been upward ever since, though there was a decline several times in those years, but only slightly, and for a few weeks at a time. The \$20.55 at which the circulation stood at the beginning of the present month will probably be exceeded at the beginning of September. The chances are that the \$30 point in the expansion will be reached before the end of the calendar year, 1903.

Moreover, not only has the circulation increased much faster than the population, which is also growing rapidly these days, but the gold ingredient of it is growing much faster than the rest of the currency. Of course, in these days of republican financial stability and prosperity, all sorts of currency are as good as gold but it is well to keep the fact in mind that the gold element of the circulating medium is far more abundant than it ever was before. Nobody is now saying that the currency is not adequate to the demands of trade.—Ex.

The Kansas-Colorado Suit.

Senator Teller is needlessly alarmed in regard to the status of the defense to be made against the suit instituted by Kansas to prohibit or interfere with irrigation in the Arkansas valley within the limits of this state. We are sure that were he fully informed in regard to the purposes and intentions of Attorney General Miller he would have no question that the whole matter is well in hand.

Under an order made by the supreme court just before it adjourned in June for the summer vacation the attorneys for Kansas were given until August 15 to file an amended bill, which they desired to file for the purpose of making certain private irrigators parties defendant. At the same time Colorado was given until the first of October to file an answer. It is expected that shortly after the Colorado answer is filed the attorneys for Kansas will be required to file their reply, and that then the court will appoint a commissioner to take evidence.

In the present status of the case there is no need of a great array of counsel, but as soon as the private corporations and other irrigators are brought into court by the amended bill which Kansas will file on the fifteenth of this month, so many large private interests will be involved that some of the most able lawyers in the state will appear as representatives of those interests. Thus the services of these lawyers will be secured without cost to the state. If Senator Teller were fully informed in regard to all these things he would no longer question that sufficient counsel will be secured to thoroughly investigate the entire matter and fully present it to the court.

It is fortunate that in the way stated the services of able counsel will be secured, since the money available for the preparation of the defense will not admit of the expenditure of much state money in the employment of lawyers as direct representatives of the state. The amount appropriated by the legisla-

ture at its last session for the preparation of the defense was only \$25,000. Of this sum \$15,000 will be expended in making stream measurements and collecting other data, upon which work State Engineer Carpenter is now engaged. Probably more than the \$10,000 remaining will be needed in paying the fees and expenses of travel, employing stenographers and printing the voluminous evidence that will be presented.

Any one who is informed in regard to the progress of this case knows that it will require an enormous amount of work to collect all the evidence and digest the different official reports that in the last thirty or forty years have been made—some of them by Kansas officials—in regard to the Arkansas river. Only a short time ago, through the efforts of a man employed for that purpose, a number of valuable reports were discovered in the Kansas state library at Topeka bearing directly on matters pertaining to the flow of the Arkansas years ago and long before there was any great diversion of water from that stream in this state.

In short, Attorney General Miller has the matter well in hand. At the same time he is receiving the assistance of Judge Platt Rogers, one of the best irrigation lawyers in the country. Judge Rogers, it may be marked, did the principal part of the work in preparing the first answer filed by Colorado, and which was followed by the request of the Kansas attorney general for leave to file an amended bill.—Denver Republican.

The Boston Bloomers, Ladies' Champion Base Ball Club will play the Lamar Cardinals, Wednesday, August 13, at 3 p. m. This will be one of the most interesting and exciting games of the season. The Boston Bloomers consist of twelve ladies from various metropolitan cities, who have been engaged to travel with this organization. Each of these ladies is a ball player in every sense of the word, and all who witness the game will be surprised to see the manner in which the ladies handle the ball. They are traveling in their own special car under the management of W. P. Needham. They carry 1,200 feet of side wall to surround the grounds, and will erect a canvass canopy under which there will be comfortable seats. This will be the event of the season and will afford the amusement seekers of this city the only opportunity of witnessing this truly novel, exciting and interesting game.

La Junta Institute.

The institute is a success in every particular. Prof. Momyer is doing excellent work, has crowded classes and is a credit to his county. The following men of state reputation have visited the institute: Prof. DeLong of the State university; Prof. Abbot of the State normal; Prof. Thomas of the State agricultural college; Dean Howe of the Denver university and ex-State Superintendent Dick of Denver. State Superintendent Grenfell is expected Wednesday.

The enrollment up to the present time is 93, divided as follows: Otero, 64; Prowers, 24; Bent, 4. Kiowa and Baca counties are not represented.

The following teachers have been enrolled from Prowers county: Misses M. Adelle Billingslea, Ollie Thatcher, Neva Hugerman, Clara M. Long, Myra McLerran, Lavada Jacobs, Myrtle Marx, Rosa and Dena Thoman, Coral Hoselton, Eva Vincent, Belle C. Haven, Lily M. Blosser, Frances Dugger, Maude Johnson, Anna Mayne, Carrie Hopkins, S. Dee Davis, Marie Whitlow; Messrs Geo. R. Momyer, J. Carl Ray, J. A. Rosebrough, Arthur Hanson, S. G. Barker.

The Joseph Newman Company.

Joseph Newman and his talented quartette of clever girls are coming again and it is welcome news indeed. This company always presents a bright and attractive program that gives the best of satisfaction and patrons know they will always get their money's worth. It is said of Mr. Newman that "the more you hear him, the better you like him" and one reason is he invariably has something new for his audience. This season he promises a budget of new songs, stories and jokes that will keep his audience in a merry mood. Miss Charlotte Bixler will again be heard in brilliant violin solos. Miss Ella Bur nap whose remarkably sweet and wonderful soprano voice is pleasantly remembered will sing songs that are pretty and tender just the kind that every one enjoys. Miss Sada Talbott will offer some new monologues that are bright and witty and Miss Ince Brown, a new member of the company who is sure to be warmly welcomed, will be the pianist and accompanist. Miss Brown's playing is remarkable for its brilliancy and admirable technique. The little play this season will be "A Matrimonial Advertisement" which is brightly and smartly written. The company appears for one night only at Lamar opera house Friday Aug. 21st. Reserved seats at Fred Lee's.

Dissolution Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership lately existing between James A. Payne and John C. Ford, both of Lamar, Colorado, under the firm name of Payne & Ford, has been dissolved by the retirement from said firm of James A. Payne. All debts and obligations of every kind owing to said partnership are to be paid to said John C. Ford, the remaining partner, and all demands on the said partnership are to be presented to him for payment.

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