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THE BRITISH AUERER IS PERHAPS THE MOST RAPACIOUS OF MODERN SHYLOCKS, AND IT IS GOOD TO HEAR THAT A BILL IS ABOUT TO BE INTRODUCED IN PARLIAMENT WHICH WILL BE SUFFICIENTLY DRASTIC TO CURB HIM, IF NOT TO "REGULATE" HIM OUT OF EXISTENCE. UP TO TEN PER CENT THE MONEY LENDER WILL BE ALLOWED A FREE HAND, BUT A HIGHER RATE CATTLE THE DEBTOR TO INVOLVE LEGAL REDRESS. EVERY MONEY LENDER WILL BE COMPELLED TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN HIS OWN NAME; HE MUST NOT HAVE EVEN ONE BUSINESS ALIAS, NOR WILL IT BE PERMISSIBLE FOR HIM TO POSE AS A BENEVOLENT ORGANIZATION UNDER SOME SPECIOUS TITLE; HITHERTO A FAVORITE TRICK WITH THE RASCALS THAT PREY UPON THE NEEDY AND HELPLESS. IN A COUNTRY WHERE 400 PER CENT PER ANNUM FOR SHORT LOANS IS NOT UNCOMMON, AND 2,000 PER CENT PER ANNUM NOT UNKNOWN, SUCH A LAW IS SORELY NEEDED.

The British auerer is perhaps the most rapacious of modern Shylocks, and it is good to hear that a bill is about to be introduced in Parliament which will be sufficiently drastic to curb him, if not to "regulate" him out of existence. Up to ten per cent the money lender will be allowed a free hand, but a higher rate cattle the debtor to involve legal redress. Every money lender will be compelled to transact business in his own name; he must not have even one business alias, nor will it be permissible for him to pose as a benevolent organization under some specious title; hitherto a favorite trick with the rascals that prey upon the needy and helpless. In a country where 400 per cent per annum for short loans is not uncommon, and 2,000 per cent per annum not unknown, such a law is sorely needed.

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Farms at forced sales in the country around Philadelphia appear to be bringing very low prices. In Honeybrook, Chester county, an assignee has sold a farm of 126 acres for \$30 per acre, and another in the same township, site not stated, for \$29 per acre. The Townsend Walter farm, near West Chester, 185 acres, a very fine estate, was offered at public sale by the assignee, October 19, but only \$70.75 an acre offered, and it was withdrawn. The Doylestown Intelligence reports that the recent sale of two farms in Solebury township—one of the richest sections of Bucks county—at \$20 and \$15 per acre, respectively. It suggests that the assessors' valuation for tax purposes will have to be lowered.—Philadelphia Manufacturer.

Raising Funds for Next Year.
Among the many ways of raising money to successfully fight against Hannaism in 1900 no offer has been more opportune or generous than that of the cigar manufacturers of Chicago, who give the Ways and Means Committee of the Democratic National Committee 1 cent on each of their "Ways and Means" cigars sold, and one-third of a cent for each "Defense Fund" cigar disposed of. This is a voluntary contribution on the part of a large and responsible firm of cigar manufacturers, who employ union labor, and are patriotic supporters of the cause espoused by William Jennings Bryan, Richard Bland and other leaders of the bimetallic standard. It was not offered in an ebullient moment of enthusiasm, but after mature deliberation and counting the cost up into thousands of dollars that must go out in case orders came in sufficiently numerous and large to run up the out-go in these royalties. The smokers using either of these brands of cigars may rest assured that the royalty money actually goes into the funds of the committee, as the labels are countersigned in the office of the Ways and Means Committee by two of its officers. Orders are coming in liberally for these cigars from all parts of the United States, making it a most gigantic undertaking. The quality of the cigars is the best that can be given at the prices—5 and 10 cents.

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It is the fact that it is one of our units of account—a dollar—that gives it its value as money. Standing by itself, the government's making a dollar, and making it legal tender, confers no value on such dollars, nor does it attempt to. It simply makes it money—a dollar—and legal tender. But the moment it becomes a dollar there is an instant and overwhelming demand for it on the part of our seventy-one millions of people to transact their business—they are all tolling to get those dollars.

It is this terrific and constant demand for money that gives such dollars all their value as money, and not the value of the material they are made of. Give us a rest from this 50-cent dollar nonsense! The amount of value in our dollars is shown in the general range of prices of commodities—wheat, cotton, etc.—and is determined by the quantity of money in circulation among the people, as compared with population and business. As Ricardo, the great gold standard authority, says: "The value of money in any country is determined by the amount existing." That commodities would rise or fall in price, in proportion to the increase or diminution of money, I assume as a fact that is incontrovertible."
GEORGE PRENTISS.

Embalsmed Beef Scandal.
The Army beef court of inquiry has made some discoveries which indicate that it is not Gen. Miles, nor sensational newspapers, nor jealous foreigners that some of the packers of this country need fear as injurious to their trade, but their own dishonest and absolutely criminal methods. How one Kansas City house can escape condign punishment, if justice be done, does not yet appear. It was shown by competent testimony that the Armour Packing Company had furnished the army a lot of rotten canned beef, several carloads of which were condemned at Jacksonville and Mobile and returned to the company at Kansas City. It was shown that as to much of this condemned beef new labels were pasted on the cans containing it and these were placed in the general stock. The manager testified that a large part of it was shipped to a foreign government, and explained its reappearance in the United States army by saying that some of the cans likely found their way back to the United States and were probably accepted by the government! The Armour Packing company contributed very liberally to Mark Hanna's national honor swindle in 1898.

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