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WEDNESDAY MORNING, OCT. 25.

WHY MONEY IS SCARCE.

Yesterday we published an extract from an address by U. S. Treasurer Roberts at the meeting of the Pennsylvania bankers in Scranton. Treasurer Roberts is a gold man and spoke from a gold standpoint, even while discussing the defects of the present currency system.

All the gold advocates, however, have not as high an opinion as Treasurer Roberts of the utility or effectiveness of the national banks as currency furnishers.

FOR HOME CONSUMPTION. The frequency with which that cable dispatch from Gen. Otis comes announcing a message from Aguinaldo, or some other Philippine celebrity, with a request for a conference justifies the suspicion that these dispatches are intended for home consumption in the States.

Being engaged at this time in jumping on the Filipinos, President McKinley does not feel justified in protesting against Great Britain's jumping on the Boers.

—A Censur of Cuba was taken in 1897, and it gave the island a population of 1,631,987. The report showed 65 per cent. white, 35 per cent. black and mixed.

—The Atlanta Constitution argues, with great force, that a saving of \$100,000,000 per year might be made in freights, commissions, warehouse charges and other export expenses if instead of sending raw cotton 3000 miles away to England or 1000 miles away to New England to be made into cloth it should be manufactured in Southern mills located as near as possible to the cotton fields.

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TO BE TAKEN WITH RESERVE.

As might have been expected the reports we got from South Africa bring accounts of British victories over the Boers, one of the remarkable features of which is the large number of Boers killed and wounded in comparison with the killed and wounded on the British side, notwithstanding the fact that the Boers are conceded to be fine marksmen and stubborn fighters.

All this talk about silver men ignorantly or wilfully misunderstanding or misrepresenting the situation is rather far-fetched, for if we had free silver we would have no such dearth of currency as we have now, for while there was a demand for it silver would go to the mints and from the mints into circulation, and it or the certificates that represented it, as a matter of convenience, would flow West and South to help move the crops.

While the Times is off on the silver question, it is sound on the State bank system, and eminently correct when it insists on this as the effective solution of the question how to provide for a system that will give the country a flexible currency, prevent this annually recurring dearth in the West and the South, and thus make the West and the South independent of the Eastern banks and independent of the U. S. Treasury, upon which the banks rely when they get in a pinch.

There are a number of honorable and deserving gentlemen whose names have been mentioned in this connection. From what we know of them, we feel safe in the prediction that there will be no unseemly scramble for that position, and also which ever one of these be chosen, he will be a decided improvement on Marion Butler.

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SPERMINATION ESSENTIAL.

When ready to use, open the can two covers for that time. This will often dissipate the close, "tinny" taste so often noticed in canned goods. In using peas, asparagus or any canned vegetable, drain and throw away all the liquor. Cover the vegetable with cold water and let stand for at least half an hour. Drain and heat over hot water, adding a bit of butter and seasoning to taste. Always empty cans as soon as possible. The majority of cases of poisoning from canned goods occur through neglect of this precaution.

The best of women may be the worst of sufferers. In every case it is no respecter of persons. The regular periodic suffering of many women is calculated to be a great aggregating of ten years of the thirty between fifteen and forty-five. Such a tax of pain and time is utterly unnecessary. In all cases the suffering of women may be alleviated, and in most cases they may be completely cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Remedy. This wonderful medicine is not a cure-all, but a specific remedy for diseases affecting the delicate womanly organs. It cures, completely, irregularity, uterine inflammation, and female weakness and gives the enfeebled organs health and vigor.

Three Bladed Cultivator. The utility of this implement is so manifest that it must surely be coveted by every up to date gardener. The shanks and blades are all steel and easily adjustable in making up small orders higher prices have to be charged. The quantity ordered should be as large as possible, but the price will not be responsible for any amount from the actual market price of the articles ordered.

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

Table listing various commodities and their prices, including flour, sugar, and other goods.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

New York, October 24.—Money on call firm at 6 1/2 per cent. last week at 6 1/4 per cent. Sterling exchange steady; actual business in bankers' bills at 48 1/2 @ 48 7/8 for demand and 48 1/4 @ 48 3/4 for sixty days.

FOREIGN MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, October 24.—Cotton—Spot quiet; prices lower. American middling fair, 4 1/2 @ 4 3/4; good middling 4 1/4 @ 4 3/4; middling 3 3/4 @ 4 1/4; low middling 3 1/4 @ 3 3/4; good ordinary 3 1/4 @ 3 3/4; ordinary 3 1/4 @ 3 3/4.

COTTON MARKETS.

New York, October 24.—In-to-day's market for cotton futures speculation was at no time active, while fluctuations in the cash market were six points. Investors manifested most total indifference and room traders were reluctant to make a decided stand in view of the confusion of local news.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Oct. 25, 1899. Steamships: Wraxton (Br), 1,838 tons, Rome, Alexander Sprunt & Son, Barby (Br), 1,899 tons, Maxfield, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

EXPORTS.

New York—Steamship New York—235 bbls spirits, 39 bbls rosin, 512 bbls tar, 208,999 feet lumber, 55 bbls pitch, 40 pkgs cotton goods, 43 bbls yarn, 135 pkgs cotton, 618 bbls tongue, weighed by H.G. Smallbones.

GREAT OFFER.

Cut this out and take it to the druggist nearest below and you will receive a trial coupon for Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, which is one-half the size of our regular bottles. It contains all the ingredients of our famous Kidney and Bladder Pills, and is a most effective remedy for all forms of cough, cold, croup, whooping-cough, and all other respiratory ailments.

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PRODUCE MARKETS.

New York, October 24.—Wheat—Firm and fairly active with business restricted by the extreme views of holders. Closed steady. Wheat—Spot quiet; No. 2 red 7 1/4 @ 7 3/4; No. 2 white 7 1/4 @ 7 3/4; No. 2 yellow 7 1/4 @ 7 3/4; No. 2 hard 7 1/4 @ 7 3/4; No. 2 soft 7 1/4 @ 7 3/4.

WILMINGTON MARKET. STAR OFFICE, Oct. 24. SPIRITS-TURPENTINE.—Nothing doing. ROSIN—Market firm at 95 cents per barrel for Strained and \$1.00 for Good Strained. TAR—Market firm at \$1.30 per bbl of CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at \$1.50 per barrel for Hard, \$2.80 for Dip, and \$1.00 for Virgin.

MARKET FIRM ON A BASIS OF 7 1/2 PER CENT FOR MIDDLING. COUNTRY PRODUCE. PEANUTS.—North Carolina—Prime, 85c; extra prime, 90c per barrel of 28 pounds; fancy, \$1.05; Virginia—Prime, 85c; extra prime, 90c; fancy, 95c.

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