

OUR STATE FINANCES

As Shown by the Biennial Report of State Treasurer Bartley.

SOUNDS LIKE A PREMONITION

Bartley Gives Us an Essay on Leaving State Funds in Banks.

Must Not Draw Them Out.

The biennial report of the state treasurer submitted to the governor Christmas day, covering the period from November 30, 1894, to Dec. 1, 1895, shows balance as per report of two years ago was \$1,121,387.84, and the receipts for the two years were \$3,667,594.95, making a total of \$4,788,982.29.

From this must also be taken the amount of the semi-annual school fund apportionment, \$256,582.88, less the \$24,624.58 tied up in banks, and \$589,370.89 now in state depository banks including \$58,435.36 in banks that have suspended.

In addition to the general fund floating indebtedness shown in previous reports, due largely to excesses of appropriations over revenues, is the \$400,718.32 excessive appropriations of the past two years. This is attributed to the \$250,000 for relief and \$150,000 to reimburse the sinking fund for losses in the Capital National.

The outstanding registered general fund warrants November 30, 1895, amounted to \$1,934,069.13, and after deducting the cash on hand given above, the state has with which to pay the balance \$2,330,692.76 uncollected 1895 and 1896 taxes, enough to pay all and leave a balance of \$927,540.66.

The report attributes the delinquencies in tax collections to the drought and the national panic.

"The last two years," says the report, "have illustrated the intimacy and sensitiveness which exists between national finances, the national treasury and the great banks and business institutions of the nation. The same condition prevails, and always has in this state between the state treasury and the banks and financial institutions of the state."

Of the state treasury commissions of the state, required in the state treasury, are most obligations of the earnings of the people with which the financial obligations of the state are one to injure the bank having state funds, a small amount of the state a small amount, most public expenditures, how many a liberality in which the state to direct interest, might wall, and, in a period of accumulation might all experienced in business approach of the panic the funds on deposit with banks been called in, the state treasury, the effect would have been indubitably a hundred fold wider in extent, best judgment of a thoughtful publisher this conclusion.

There has been no period during the years covered by this report of contributing to a panic regarded by this office as an undertaking in which to emphasize the interests of the state and its finances or in the policy of the department has to protect its own deposits. Entirely unremitting study have been to this end. There has been when any other policy has been considered safe either in the business of this office or in public policy.

crop conditions entirely business of all kinds stimulated and improved, they will readily, in their routine and disbursements, answer the state, and that this may be good, I have digressed to a certain extent in the above report. The state has invested in various periods \$3,273,251.25. The interest of the past two years were \$81,000,000 of the purchases made in two years, ending with this report board has since completed the \$100,000 Saunders county which will be ready for delivery on January 1, making a total of \$77,992.

ded indebtedness of the state reduced during the biennial 1894, to December the payment of \$81,000,000 relief bonds, which present year, leaving a balance of \$19,000, which is covered by the permanent fund of the state funding \$1,187, is now on the fund \$317,940. Of the state has purged the permanent school fund. The balance, however, is covered by outside parties, so after applying the bonds are due to the state, awaiting the state, awaiting the state, awaiting the state to meet them without

incurring any injury to the state credit. "The experience of the department during this biennial with the state repository law has not been such as to change the opinion expressed in the biennial report from this office two years ago, or to show the law profitable to the state."

NATIONAL SLAVERY.

Sovereignty of One State Over Another Must Pass Away.

There is a great deal of talk these times about disputed territorial possessions of foreign countries, the turbulent uprising of the natives against the prevailing governments of their unhappy colonies, who get their laws as it were manufactured for them thousands of miles away and imposed by standing armies at their very doors. And yet there are men in this nineteenth century, men who are supposed to possess broad views and sound judgment, who will sit in council, ponder and deliberate on such questions as the location of foreign possessions of this or that nation, seemingly as conscientious in their discussion as if they were dividing some product of toil instead of dividing and assigning what God created for all mankind.

The relative position of a nation holding foreign possessions may be likened to that of master and slave. It is human slavery on a gigantic scale. No master holds slaves unless he gains by their labor, and no nation holds foreign territory unless she gains by such possessions and such gain comes from the toll of the natives applied to the natural resources of the country to which the invading nation has no right whatever. And yet the so-called Christian religion has never condemned such a policy. It seems highly improbable that God ever intended that the people of one portion of the globe should levy tribute on that of another.

The nation holding foreign territory will tell the world that she acquired her right by discovery. Does a man on finding a pocket book acquire a right to it because of discovery? Another argument is that she belongs to a superior class of civilization and that it is Christian duty to civilize the natives, and she proceeds to civilize them by first invading their country with an army sufficiently strong to overawe the simple natives. With this army comes also a few men supposed to be followers of the meek and lowly Nazarene to convert them to the Christian religion and raise them to a higher plane of civilization. This gives the project a sanctimonious aspect. They proceed by administering doses of religion and lead by turns until they yield either their valuables or their lives.

If they are a slow, easy-going people they toll on for generations for their new masters. On the other hand if they belong to a high-spirited race, it takes more lead and less religion to do the work. The main object of the invaders is plunder, the getting of something for nothing. This has been the history of all the leading nations that have ever held foreign territory.

This force will go on till people learn that this earth belongs to its maker, that men are only tenants at will, that no nation has a prior right to another country, that the land of a country should belong to the people of that country. Believers in good government should look on and treat a nation holding foreign possessions as a slave holder, for such she is, and crowned heads and royal families as useless fossils that are very expensive, who create nothing and absorb much.

These self-same fossils retard the world's progress. Jealous and fearful of each other, they will not interfere with the Turk in his butcheries in Armenia. Poor Cuba is fighting a gallant battle, and she will win, for the fire of liberty once kindled on American shores is spreading to all lands.

But in our own land, where liberty's torch has burned brightest, her citizens must needs guard it well, for we have a class of people who have absorbed a great deal of the wealth of the country through class legislation, who look up to and ape the foreign snob. (Would they like titles.) The American people must weed them out of politics and clip the wings of them and their agents, and if they do it is only a question of time until no nation will hold foreign territory. A POPULIST.

TRAVELLING MEN IN POLITICS

Hon. W. H. Thompson's Sentimental Response to a Toast to Drummers.

The response of Hon. W. H. Thompson of Grand Island read in response to the sentiment proposed at the banquet of the Travelling Men's Bryan club of Lincoln to Hon. W. J. Bryan Monday evening, "Travelling Men in Politics—A Rolling Stone Gathers no Moss," has elicited much flattering criticism. It was read, in Mr. Thompson's absence, by Postmaster Harpley as follows:

"This toast—'Perhaps it may turn out a song, perhaps a sermon.' It gives me pleasure to meet you this evening, not only as members of the travelling men's free silver club, but on the broader ground, that of true representatives of the business world. The travelling men, runners or drummers, as you are familiarly known, hold in your grasp the business of the nations. In your hands is placed more confidence, and with fewer betrayals, than almost any calling. No class of men hold a trust imposed more sacred. You are to your employer a true friend, will stand without hitching. Your happy good nature, even if it is a part of your business, causes the sunshine of life to sweep in among the shadows. Your nature should be a lesson of profit to the merchant, the banker, the lawyer, the doctor, the business man.

"Your success proves that it always pays to be a gentleman. Your position brings you into the closest intimacy with the business world of every city, town and village and makes of you the truest barometers of public sentiment. Your consensus of opinion is near a fact. Your diagnosis of public feeling on a given question equals the doctor's of his subject. You have foretold the coming crisis in times past, and will be first to recognize the advance agent of prosperity when he puts in that oft prophesied appearance, whether this is the coming year, the next or four years.

"You have learned that there is something radically wrong with the body politic. You have experienced the times

and conditions under the McKinley tariff and under the Wilson law, and know that neither brought to the people the desired prosperity. The bank and business houses that were falling under the one continued to fall under the other. To right these wrongs you have banded yourselves together and joined with the producers of wealth in trying to bring back the smile of prosperity to every home by restoring the laws which know no exceptions and recognized no class or clan, so that every person can with heart and in truth declare that to be a citizen of this free country is nobler than to have been a slave of Rome.

"Unequal laws of a nation blight the patriotism of its subjects, like cruel acts of a parent dissipate the love of the child. The great victory won by the people of this state at the last election is much due to your patient efforts as a political force. Next to the press comes the 'rolling stone,' the travelling men. When I'm president I'll appoint one of your number secretary of agriculture, so you can do the talking of the administration. You'd make no mistake; you would know when to talk and what to say.

"The success or failure of bimetallicism depends much on your efforts, and honest statements of the true condition of the public. Those who expect and hope to see it succeed urge you to extraordinary watchfulness and exertion. 'We may all laugh with the jolly, good natured runners. Why not? We are all runners—some after something, others after nothing, and the world knows not which until it knows us no more. Even in this running there should be some system. For we may outrun by violent swiftness that which we run at, and lose by over-running.' Yet a thousand times had we better wear out than rust out.

"If a rolling stone gathers no moss it never becomes a 'mossback.' And of all of God's creatures the mossback could be the most easily spared. He is a wrecked car on a sidetrack; an idler in the temple of thrift; a desert in an oasis; a stagnant pool close by the sparkling brook. He neither learns nor permits learning. He talks of the past, but has no future. He utters 'Rome on her seven hills and watches the world of progress pass by. His somber, gloomy silence retards and stifles a past house in a school yard. The mossback in religion is the bigot; in politics, the man who attempts to satisfy honest inquiry by ridicule; in business he is the man who holds a penny so close to his eyes he can't see ten dollars two feet away. The mossback in life is he who deludes himself by thinking he is living for self alone, and that when he dies, without Joshua's command the sun and moon will stand still or the earth will cease to revolve. When God was making a mossback he was putting in his finest work trying to create an exception to mankind. I am glad to know that the travelling man is his direct antithesis. If the rolling stone gathers no moss and the knight of the grip does not accumulate wealth, they each have a world of experience. They, with Galileo, know that the world does move and that 'life is not an empty dream.' May you and your organization prosper and each achieve as a consummation of a life work—success."

Get Strength.

Get Strength, Vigor, Clear Complexion and Good Digestion, not by Patent Medicines, But in Nature's Own Way.

Any honest physician will tell you that there is but one way to get increased flesh; all the patent medicines and cod liver oils to the contrary notwithstanding.

Nature has but one way to increase flesh, strength and vigor of mind and body, and that is through the stomach by wholesome food well digested. There is no reason or common sense in any other method whatever.

People are thin, run down, nervous, pale and shaky in their nerves, simply because their stomachs are weak. They may not think they have dyspepsia, but the fact remains that they do not eat enough food or what they eat is not quickly and properly digested as it should be.

Dr. Harlandson says the reason is because the stomach lacks certain digestive acids and pepsines, and deficient secretion of gastric juice.

Nature's remedy in such cases is to supply what the weak stomach lacks. There are several good preparations which will do this, but none so readily as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, which are designed especially for all stomach troubles, and which cure all digestive weakness on the common sense plan of furnishing the digestive principles which the stomach lacks.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets give perfect digestion. First effect is to increase the appetite and increase vigor, added flesh, pure blood, and strength of nerve and muscle is the perfectly natural result.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is the safest tonic known and will cure any form of stomach trouble except cancer of the stomach. May be found at druggists at 50 cents for full sized package or direct by mail from Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich. Little book on stomach diseases mailed free.

Homeseeker's Excursion.

Via the Burlington, January 5, 19 February 2 and 16. On the above dates the Burlington will sell round trip tickets at one fare plus \$2 to all points in Arkansas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma and Texas; also to many points in Arizona, Louisiana and New Mexico. For full information apply at B. & M. depot or city office, corner Tenth and O streets. GEO. W. BONNELL, C. P. and T. A.

Ed Lamb, the popular young democrat, has gone to Montana and word received here by his friends indicates that he may permanently locate up there. Ed says he likes the silver sentiment in that country as well as the business prospects.

Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When the tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and the tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free. P. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, etc.

Herpolsheimer's CLEAN SWEE SALE To Usher in the New Year



Some of the greatest value giving events Lincoln has known have taken place in the big store during the past year and the people of this community know a good thing when they see these sales have one and all been grand successes. Now at the beginning of the New Year we mean to surpass all previous efforts placing our immense stocks in all departments on sale at lower than we or any body else have ever before attempted to know what this means. It means a sale of strictly first class merchandise at prices lower than the cost of manufacture, and thus again proving to you the big store is the Pacemaker in Pricemaking. Every department in our house will be represented and as all departments must be reduced previous to inventory and reduced quickly you depend upon it, cost of goods will not be taken into consideration.

Phenomenal Dress Goods Offerings

Some time ago we originated a new feature in Dress Goods' selling in Lincoln, viz: In addition to low prices on pattern suits we give the ordinary linings and outfittings free. The success of this was indeed wonderful, and others, knowing of this success, as usual, tried to imitate, but it was an imitation indeed. Now then the Big Store proposes to prove again its title of pacemaker in pricing. We will not only give linings free, but will go a step further and GIVE A PIECE OF TRIMMING FREE. These trimmings that we propose to give with these suits, we will not have you stand as some would, to be the pick of our stock, but we have on hand several lots of dress trimmings which we desire to close out. They consist of odd pieces, short lengths, odd styles, etc., but we are naming a price on these, we simply give them away and you will find many a piece among them suited to trim the dress you may select.

Sale Begins Monday, January 1st

Herpolsheimer's

MEXICAN CONTENTMENT.

A Republican Organ indulges That Which is Good for the Soul.

LINCOLN, December 29.—The Journal of last Saturday morning indulged in one of those open confessions which have been said to be good for the soul. It said:

"There is perhaps no use denying (any longer, election being over) that our Mexican neighbors are having pretty good times. Good or bad times, you know, depend more upon one's frame of mind than upon his actual worldly circumstances."

The fact herein stated has been persistently denied all through the late campaign, although the Journal well knew that our silver standard neighbor was in a prosperous condition. At last the Journal had to admit either its own ignorance or its readiness to deny facts which are not to her taste.

But the explanation of the Journal for this state of things is certainly a most frivolous one. The Journal has adopted the theory of nonsense of a so-called Christian sect. Just think that you have money and bread and coal and health, and you have it. The insane asylum is full of such happy and prosperous inmates. If these banks which are breaking every day would only think that they had money enough, how much better it would be. They would not shut their doors so soon.

While the Journal is trying to soothe and delude the farmers into submission to their intolerable wrongs by fiddling over their wasted fortunes, had it not better try to have other men think their condition is good enough, when their pockets are all full and they have more than enough, instead of trying to get from others that which they greatly need.

Why this "hush and cry" about the Wilson tariff? Let manufacturers just think they are protected enough and they can be as happy as a Mexican, and at the same time the struggling farmer will not have an additional tax put on him. Let the greedy bondholders think they have it well enough when their bonds are not taxed, and their interest is paid in gold. And by the way, where does the constitution justify this class legislation, exempting bondholders' property from taxation? The present legislature should pass a law that every cent of property, be it what it may, shall be taxed—excepting church property—and make it obligatory to assess it. Let the principle be brought before the supreme court and tax all bonds of every kind.

Dear Journal, do try and get your B. & M. railroad into that happy frame of mind where they will think they are getting more than their share when they charge as much to haul a bushel of corn to Chicago as the farmer gets for it, while its work is done in twenty-four hours and the farmer's in eight months. How pleasant it would be if they would get into that benevolent state of mind and quit their robbery.

If the "frame of mind" has such a potential and consoling power, let congress legislate on it and make it universal, and we will all fall into line and not question its constitutionality. But until then, I pity the poor fellow who practices it while discontented greed is taking the Mexican's last ten cents.

SILVER REPUBLICAN.

This Will Interest Every One

to know that Saturday, January 2, we put on our countets and will continue to sell for ten days in Winter Goods at prices that will sell them.

1-5 OFF

20 PER CENT OFF

- Novelty Dress Goods,
- Henrettas,
- Dress Flannels,
- Flannel Skirt and
- Skirtings,
- Flannels,
- Blankets,
- Bed Comforts,
- Shawls,
- Fascinator,
- Eiderdowns
- Hoods,
- Ice Wool Shawls,
- Gloves and
- Mittens,
- Underwear,
- Flannel Shirts,
- Cardigan Jackets,
- Wool Hosiery,
- Waterproofs,
- Plush and
- Cloth Caps.

Lined Shoes, Lined and Felt Slippers, Felt Boots, German Socks and Overgaiters. 1-5 OFF ON Duck Lined Coats, Jean Cottonade Pants. 33 1/2 to 50 per cent off on

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