

# LIST OF FREELAND MERCHANTS

WHO GIVE

## Standard Rebate Checks With Cash Purchases.

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**EXPLANATION** The merchants whose names appear in this Directory are the leading business people in this vicinity; they want your cash trade, and in order to secure it they are going to give STANDARD REBATE CHECKS. One check for every ten-cent purchase or ten with every dollar, etc.

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## Standard Rebate Check Company's Stores,

- 30 East Third Street, South Bethlehem, Pa.
- 45 South Main Street, Bethlehem, Home Office.
- 132 South Main Street, Bethlehem, Pa.
- Storehouse, Over Public Market, Bethlehem, Pa.

### LIST OF PREMIUMS.

Checks Required.

| Furniture   |           | Glassware                               |              |
|---|-----------|---|--------------|
| Rocking Chairs  | 400-500   | Vases                                   | 300-400      |
| Morris Chairs   | 600-700   | Water Sets                              | 500-600      |
| Writing Desks   | 1000-1200 | Tea Sets, 4 pieces                      | 450-600      |
| Japanese Screens  | 1000-1200 | Rose Bowls                              | 300 per pair |
| Birds' Eye Maple, Golden Oak, Mahogany and Marquetry Tables | 500-600   | Lemonade Sets                           | 500-600      |
| Tabarets  | 500-600   | Chinaware and Crockery                  |              |
| Hall Racks  | 100-150   | Lamps                                   | 300-400      |
| Hamper  | 200       | Tea Sets, 56 pieces                     | 1000-1500    |
| Rugs  | 500-800   | Toilet Sets, 10 pieces                  | 1000-1500    |
| Pictures  | 500-800   | Dinner Sets, 12 pieces                  | 2000-2500    |
| Musical Instruments   |           | Umbrella Stands                         | 800-1000     |
| Banjos  | 1000      | Vases, per pair                         | 300-400      |
| Violas  | 800       | Chocolate Pots                          | 400-500      |
| Guitars   | 800       | Clocks                                  | 500-600      |
| Autographs  | 800       | Jardineres                              | 800-1000     |
| Mandolins   | 500       | Jardineres, with Pedestals              | 1000-1200    |
| Accordeons  | 400-500   | Cabarets                                | 500-600      |
| Silverware  |           | Cracker Jars                            | 500-600      |
| Knives  | 300       | Sundries                                |              |
| Forks   | 300       | Bronze Ornaments                        | 300-500      |
| Spoons  | 300       | Jewelry Cabinets                        | 400-500      |
| Fruit Dishes  | 500-600   | Revolvers                               | 1000-1500    |
| Cracker Jars  | 500-600   | Cameras                                 | 600-1000     |
| Ice Pitchers  | 500-600   | Japanese Art Goods                      | 300-400      |
| Cake Dishes   | 500-600   | Hanging Lamps                           | 500-600      |
| Clocks  | 500-600   | And Other Beautiful and Useful Articles |              |
| Watches   | 500-1000  |   |              |

### MERCHANTS OF FREELAND.

- A. OSWALD, Dry Good, Notions, Groceries, Wood and Willow-ware, Oilcloth, Hats, Caps, Shoes, Flour, Feed, etc.
- REFOVICH'S "Wear Well Clothing House," Centre Street.
- REFOVICH'S "Wear Well Boot and Shoe House," 51 Centre Street.
- E. J. CURRY, Choice Groceries, Butter, Eggs, etc.
- S. WENNER & SONS, General Merchandise, Shoes, Rubbers, etc. Agents for the "White Star" Flour.
- WM. KEIPER, Confectionery, Tobacco, Cigars, etc.
- JOSEPH BIRKBECK, "Sunshine" Stoves, Ranges and Furnaces, Hardware, Paints, Oils and Glass. Toys of all description.
- "BLACK DIAMOND" Cash Store, J. C. Berner, Manager.
- GEO. H. HARTMAN, Meats, Green Groceries, Fish in season.
- JOHN RIPPPEL, Baker and Confectioner.
- GEO. KROMMES, Groceries and Provisions.
- WM. WILLIAMSON, Stoves, Tinware, Hardware and House Furnishing Goods.

### No Checks Given With Sugar.

### CURRENT COMMENT.

Notes and Comments, Political and Otherwise, on Matters of Interest.

By Andrew J. Palm.

The old man Quay, who has been considered invincible until recently, ran up against a stone wall last winter in the legislature, and he seems to have struck something equally solid in trying to break in the senate the credentials furnished by Governor Stone. Every dog is said to have had his day, and it is to be hoped that Quay has had more days than will ever again be allotted to any corrupt political boss in this or any other country.

What is amusing, even in connection with so deplorable a condition of affairs, is the Republican method of showing our increased trade in the Philippines, since we began our Christianizing campaigns. The two thousand air tight coffins in which to bring home our dead, the millions of money which we are obliged to send over to maintain our army, and the cost of the beer we have taught the natives to drink are all solemnly figured and the aggregate proudly referred to as one of the evidences of the great increase of exports under McKinleyism.

It is not ten years since the annual expenses of the government all told were less than \$250,000,000. Mr. McKinley, in his schemes of "benevolent assimilation," and his alleged partnership with the Almighty in following after "destiny," has raised the amount to \$631,000,000. Who must pay it? Will the millionaire and the true come forward and lay down the amount as a thank offering on Emperor McKinley's altar? Not if they know themselves. They resist to the bitter end every effort to tax their easy gotten gains, and if by accident or design some court happens to decide a law to tax these gentlemen valid they simply add double the amount of the tax to the millionnaire and the true consumer pay it to show him how foolish it was to attempt to tax gentlemen who have the ear of the national legislature, the ear of the courts and both ears of the executive of the country.

President McKinley says that it was the providence of God that put us in possession of the Philippines. When and to whom did the Almighty vouchsafe the information that \$20,000,000 would be about the price of the island? Spain, it is claimed on these islands? When and to whom did He suggest that it would be the proper caper to send an army into the Philippines' territory, lay waste their towns, shoot down their people and establish hundreds of rumbolos, which will soon exterminate the Filipino race, if any of it is left after the war? Mr. McKinley's process of "benevolent assimilation." If God came to Mr. McKinley in a dream by night, as He did to Joseph, and told him so many things that no sensible man believes, he should say so and put the responsibility where it belongs. McKinley stamps himself as an ignoramus or a hypocrite. God never made some bumps to be slaved and enslaved by others, nor does He give some of His people lands upon which they may support themselves, and then go into partnership with others to rob them of it by brute strength of bloody war.

Commissioner of Pensions Evans says that his bureau has on file 20,000 applications for pensions from those who had some part in the war with Spain. Of course those who went out to fight for their country are not so "mashed" on their country that they could not possess their souls in peace at home caring for themselves or dependent friends, but could find no rest until they went out to maintain the honor of the flag which, like charity, is made to cover a multitude of sins. Now more than half of these patriotic gentlemen who were slaved and enslaved by others, nor does He give some of His people lands upon which they may support themselves, and then go into partnership with others to rob them of it by brute strength of bloody war.

Wall street has long been supreme in our national government, and has dictated the financial policy of every administration for 50 years. It never succeeded, however, in having the single gold standard imposed absolutely in the wording of the law, though their servile tools at the head of the treasury department served their purpose just as well. But when the financial bill now before congress, and conceived and prepared last summer by money changers, and railroaded through the house with indecent haste became a law, Wall street will have succeeded in capturing the last financial citadel of the common people; the single gold standard, like Shylock's pound of flesh, will be nominated in the bond. Never have the people's representatives at the national capital been courageous enough to stand up and defy Wall street and enact legislation in the interest of the rank and file, but neither have they, until now, had the brazen audacity or the cowardly stupidity, whichever it may be, to stand up in spite of all their declarations in favor of bimetallism, in the face of their platform, national, state and county, for a generation, and fasten in unmistakable language the single gold standard on the country. Senators who have proclaimed bimetallism from the housetops for a lifetime have fallen under the hypnotic influences of Wall street money changers, and announce themselves as willing to surrender the cause of the people. McKinley, though an outspoken, rampant bimetalist but a few short years ago, will sign the bill, if he gets the chance, asking God's blessing on this another act in the destiny of providence, for any man who can ask God to smile on the slaughter of an innocent people, struggling for freedom, can sign a single gold standard act and imagine, like Paul when he killed the saints, that he is doing God's service.

### M'KINLEY SCORED.

REV. DR. SWALLOW GOES AFTER HIM WITH HOT TONGUE.

The Fighting Parson Assails the President For Wine Bibbing, and Puts Methodist Bishops in a Deep Mole.

When Dr. Silas C. Swallow gets after a case of wrong doing he makes it exceedingly lively for the subject of his remarks, as several Pennsylvania statesmen can bear witness. He asks the Methodist bishops some very pertinent questions which they will not attempt to answer. As the doctor will likely be the next Prohibition candidate for president, it is not likely that this will be the last time the bishops will hear from him. The doctor says: "The bishops of the Methodist church, backed by the general conference, its only law making body, have placed in their book of discipline the following utterance: 'The word of God, the teaching of science and the lessons of experience all combing in declaring total abstinence from intoxicating beverages to be the duty of every individual.' 'The inference is that a man who does not so abstain is not a Christian. We are prepared to call witnesses to prove William McKinley does not so abstain, but drinks, mingles with drinkers in a social, unnecessary way, and puts the bottle to his neighbor's lips at his own table. Therefore, William McKinley is not a Christian.' 'Second—They say in their book of discipline: 'It is expected of all who continue in the church that they continue to evidence their desire of salvation by avoiding—many sins among them—drunkenness, buying or selling spirituous liquors, or drinking them, unless in cases of extreme necessity.' 'William McKinley encourages their sale by not preventing it in the army, at military posts, and in the newly acquired territory, over all of which he has supreme control, and the encouragement has resulted in a holocaust of debauchery and death. He drinks intoxicants with drinkers and drunkards, and gives it to others.' 'Therefore, William McKinley should not continue in the church.' 'The church law again says: 'In cases of . . . using of intoxicating liquors as a beverage . . . let private reproaches be given by the pastor or leader, and if there be an acknowledgment of the fault and proper humiliation, the person may be borne with. On a second offense the pastor or leader may take one or two discreet members of the church. On a third offense let him be brought to trial, and if found guilty let the same be expelled.' 'William McKinley has so offended, and the pastor of the Methodist church at Canton, O., where William McKinley, it is said, holds his membership, or the Rev. Dr. Bristol, pastor of the Metropolitan Methodist church, if his membership is now held there, should so proceed, unless the law is made only for the poor and not for the rich, only for the plebeian and not for the hierarchy.' 'The bishops say over their signatures: 'The liquor traffic cannot be legalized without sin.' 'William McKinley legalizes by permitting it in the canteen. Therefore, William McKinley is a sinner, and will not remain in the church.' 'The book of discipline calls drinking liquor as a beverage 'unchristian conduct.' William McKinley drinks it as a beverage; therefore, he is guilty of 'unchristian conduct,' and one so guilty is not a Christian.' 'William McKinley, when owning and receiving revenue from a saloon in Canton, O., was continued a member of the Methodist church. He was received with open arms by many of the bishops at the general conference at Cleveland in May, 1896, where he was accorded a public reception. Many of them quietly, some of them openly, labored for his election.' 'The bishops as members of the disciplinary committee, held a meeting during this month in Washington and were given a public reception at the White House by President McKinley. They afterwards appointed a committee to express their thanks to the president for his kindness, which was done in the following language, which was either voted upon by the missionary committee, including the board of bishops or reported to them by the committee, or, at least, if allowed by them to go uncontradicted, must be interpreted as their sentiment: 'We believe President McKinley to be actuated by lofty motives and hail him as a worthy successor of the illustrious men who have preceded him in the presidency. We greet and congratulate him on his able administration of our public affairs, both at home and abroad. And as a broad minded patriot, as a Christian gentleman, as a devout husband, and a God fearing American statesman, may Heaven bless and preserve and guide him in the execution of his great office. Very respectfully, John F. Hurst, S. F. Upham, Thomas Bowman, James F. Rusling, James M. Buckley, committee.' 'Now, what 2,000,000 of the common people composing the rank and file of the Methodist church want to know is: 'Whether a man who fraternizes with the millionaire brewer Cox of Cincinnati, accepts the costly entertainment of Greenhut of Chicago, drinks intoxicants again and again at public banquets and at his own table, protects the liquor traffic in the army canteen in the Philippines and in his own saloon when he had one in Canton, gives young men liquor to drink at his own table, and does it all in face of the protest of the Christian public, in open violation of his church vows, and of the repeated avowals of the board of bishops in the quadrennial deliverances, as also of the general conference as embodied in the law of the church, whether such a man is, in the language of the resolutions at the bishops' meeting, and signed by two bishops, a broad minded patriot, a Christian gentleman, a God-fearing American statesman? 'The bishops were wrong when they made the utterances still found in the book of discipline, or they are wrong now. Will they kindly tell the church which standard set up by them is the right standard? We desire to be loyal Methodists. S. C. SWALLOW.'

### PUBLIC OPINION.

Opinions From Various Sources on Questions of the Day.

I would hate to see McKinley defeated because of his foreign policy. I fear that he will be. This policy cannot be sustained in morals, and is in contravention to the declaration of independence and the teachings of the brave men who signed that document. —John Sherman.

Roberts has as clear a right as had General Henderson, who was chosen speaker, to take the oath as a representative and to take his seat. From there he could be dislodged and cast out by a majority of two-thirds, according to the federal constitution, and in no other way could the constitution be satisfied. It is very dangerous business, and a very demeaning business, for one of the houses of congress to destroy or even to bend under the influence of popular clamor the constitutional protection of the rights of representation. —New York Sun (Rep.).

A nation, nominally Christian, professing to accept a divinely appointed mission to a benighted nation beyond the seas, and assuming that it has providentially been called to be the guardian of a people incapable of developing its own Christian civilization, uses, as its missionaries, beer and bullets, not Bibles. The Christian church utters but feeble, if any, protest, and appears to be blind except to visions of military and political glory. My protest may be without force, but I place it on record. May God save our nation from itself, its own worst enemy. —Henry B. Metcalf.

Consul Oscar F. Williams, who has recently returned from the Philippines, pay the savage Filipinos this tribute: "The domestic life of the Filipinos is kind, happy and peaceful. They are simple in their ways and their furniture is meager, but the men and women are affectionate and faithful, and they are cleanly in their habits personally, and in their homes. I have never been betrayed or cheated by the Filipinos since I have been there." He also says: "They have grown, out of their ignorance, to fear every white man, no matter what their nationality." —Springfield Republican.

Mr. Roberts, the representative of Utah polygamy, will probably not get the seat in congress to which he was elected, but the Memphis Commercial Appeal points out that he might "seek an island, become sultan of something, and ask for an increase of salary." There is a profound silence on the part of most of the machine newspapers of the state regarding the exposures of ballot box stuffing in this city. These crimes are so widely regarded as a part of the machine system of politics that the Quay organs must keep quiet about them. —Philadelphia Press.

Though the Spanish war was but a skirmish, as compared with the civil war, it has been thought necessary to raise almost as much revenue, and the expenditures for our military operations exceeded those of the early years of the civil war, threatening to last for years. There is no probable relief from war taxes, and if greater economy is not enforced either a new issue of bonds or higher taxation will be necessary before the end of the McKinley administration. The economic state of war is one of its most marked features. Commercial prosperity may lead the people to submit for a time without protest, but in the end the cost of imperialism and militarism will impress itself upon the masses of the people, who are the chief sufferers, since most of the rich corporations escape the payment of the war taxes by shifting the burden to their patrons, who can only protest and pay. —Buffalo Courier.

The English have held the enemy too cheap. They are not fighting savages in breach cloths. They are invading the country of a civilized people, who will never be conquered until they are crushed by an overwhelming force. The Boers are battling for their homes, for personal freedom, for relief from the tyrannical exactions of an alien country. It is a fight to the death with them, not a service for hire. Every man and boy in the ranks has the aspiration of doing his duty, with the godspeed of wife and mother to strengthen his courage. It will be no easy task to whip such a foe. No wonder that the sympathy of the world should go out to this handful of brave people, and that every British defeat is welcomed as a proper visitation. Kruger has said that "the price would stagger humanity," and England is being brought to the sorrowful realization that she must pay her share. —Philadelphia North American.

On what grounds is Roberts to be excluded from the house of representatives of the United States? Has he not "attained to the age of 25 years?" Has he not "been seven years a citizen of the United States?" Is he not an inhabitant of that state from which he was chosen? Was he not legally chosen in a legal election? The answers to all these questions as to the constitutional requirements must be in the affirmative. Then the proposal to refuse him his seat is a proposal to defy the constitution of the United States, to refuse their political rights to the people of Utah. This is a serious matter. No matter how worthy the people who advocate such a proposal, no matter how irreproachable their moral character, the nature of this proposal is not changed. It is, looked at in its most favorable light, a proposal to do evil that good may come, and the evil is a violation not only of the fundamental law ordained by the people of the United States, but also a violation of a fundamental principle upon which our liberties rest—the principle of representative government. For such an assault there could be no justification. —New York World.

Millions of men and women join in a petition against allowing a man with three wives to sit in congress, yet not one of them think it worth while to protest against slaughtering a harmless, inoffensive people or guaranteeing in which protection is guaranteed to slavery as well as polygamy. Popular sentiment is today as inconsistent and erratic as when hosannas were sung to the Saviour one day and the clamor made to crucify Him the next.

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Favorite articles in the gift line are handkerchiefs and mufflers. Without bragging we must say that we can suit you. You can be suited. Our handkerchiefs, in silk, linen and even cotton, are all that can be desired. Prices, 5c up for full size. Silk Mufflers are shown in profusion, 60 to \$1.50, according to quality.

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We have a big line for men and boys. Sweaters in all-wool worsted, a fine article, at \$1. Not quite so good, 50c. Something better, \$1.50.

### UMBRELLAS

An acceptable present is a Silk Umbrella. We have them in all varieties of coverings and sticks. Very fine article for \$2. Cheaper ones for \$1.50, \$1 and 75c. Better grades at \$2.75 and \$3.

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### SHIRTS

White or colored, stiff or soft bosom, laundered or unlaundered, no matter what kind you desire, we have them in all quantities and at all prices. Very fine shirts for what they are worth, not for what we can get for them.

### SUSPENDERS

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**MUSTACHES.**  
What They Indicate To a Close Observer of Character.

Much has been said of late about telling character by the mouth. This is all right so far as it goes—that is, with the women, or with men who always wear a smooth face, but most men wear a mustache. The shape and size of the mustache may tell as much as the shape and size of the mouth.

A man rarely hides a fine mouth. If he wears a mustache he does so because his first experiment proved to his own satisfaction that his mustache was worthy of preservation, but he trains it carefully so that it will not entirely hide any marks of beauty or strength. Women do not have all the vanity.

There is a man who wears a heavy mustache to hide an ugly mouth or teeth, or to disguise his feelings. He is in the habit of hiding a sarcastic smile behind the drooping mustache.

No dandy would be guilty of such a monstrous affair. His mustache must be fine and delicate, at least graceful, and readily trained into graceful little curls at the ends. If he is really fine in his nature the quality of the hair is silky and soft, easily curling, and perhaps even naturally wavy. An even-tempered disposition is indicated by the soft and well curved lips, showing beneath this mustache.

The fierce, bristling mustache which hides nothing, but stands straight up, like stubble in a wheat field, shows an extremely harsh nature, bad temper and general uncouthness. A man with a mustache constantly on the defensive, as it were, like sentinels, is to be avoided.

This is quite different from the long military mustache, with waxed ends, which is supposed to be quite fierce, but which is not so in fact. The military is quite distinctive from the French fashion, which is also a waxed mustache, and is arranged with as much care as any other part of the toilet.

As to colors, the same rule follows as in the color of the hair. Black is the most intense in nature, blonde the least so, while the varying shades belong to as varied characteristics. The mixture of colors, such as a red mustache with dark brown hair, softens the disposition. An absolutely colorless hair often goes with a thin-lipped mouth, which denotes obstinacy and lack of sympathy or feeling.

**AN EXTRA STOMACH.**  
Removed From a Man by a Delicate Surgical Operation.

The facts in a peculiar case of surgery, in which a former Chicago baseball player figure, has been made public at Battle Creek, Mich. The patient is Seth Stratton. His peculiarity is that he had two stomachs, and yet he was starving.

Ever since childhood Stratton has been troubled with his stomach, suffering excruciating pain at times. Some of the best physicians in the land have treated him. He finally submitted to an operation at the hospital at Battle Creek. An examination on the operating table proved that he had two stomachs, but was approaching starvation through inability to assimilate food. The object of the surgeons was to remove the second and superfluous stomach and do away with the contraction of the esophagus that prevented his getting food into either stomach. This was finally accomplished. Stratton's trouble had increased to such an extent that food had to be forced into his stomach. He grew thin, weak and pale, and his operation was all that saved his life after his case had been pronounced incurable.

Recently Stratton had an X-ray photograph taken of his abdominal region, and it showed a formation on the esophagus, just above the diaphragm. It was found that since childhood he had been the victim of the contraction of the esophagus, which grew worse and worse, until nothing could pass through it. The retention of food above this place caused a distention of the esophagus, until the tubes proved its identity with the major digestive organ by itself becoming a stomach. Every feature of the primary pouch was reproduced with the exception of the muscles. Stratton is inspector for a Chicago gas company. He believes now he is in a fair way to recover.

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Read - the - Tribune.