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LIST OF PREMIUMS.

Checks Required.

Furniture	
Rocking Chairs 400-500- 600-700-800-1000-1200-1500	Yases
Writing Desks	Water Tea Se
Japanese Screens 700-1000 1500-2000	Rose F
Birds' Eye Maple, Golden Oak, Mahogany and Mar- quetric Tables 500-600-	Lemon
Tabarets	Ch
Hall Racks	Lamps
2000	
Hampers 500-700-	Jardin
Rugs 500-800-	Tea Se
900-1000	Tollet
Pietures 300-400- 500-600-800-1000	Dinner
500-600-800-1000	Umbre
Musical Instruments	Vases,
Banjos 1000	Choco
Violins	
Autobarps 800	Clocks
Mandolius 500	
Accordeens 400-500	Jardin
Silverware	Cabare
Knives 300	CIACLE
Forks	
Spoons	
Fruit Dishes 500-800-	Bronze
Cracker Jars 500-600	Jewell
Ice Pitchers	Revol
1200	
Cake Dishes 500-800-	Camer
Castors	Japan
Clocks	Hangi
Watches 800-1000-1200-1400-1500 500-1000	And

	Glassware
Ya	ies 300-400- 500-600-800-1000
	\$00-600-800-1000
We	ter Sets 500-600
Tea	Sets, 4 pieces
Po	se Bowls 300 per
110	Ineir
Lei	monade Sets 500-600
	Chinaware and Croekery
La	mps 300-400-
	500-600-800-1000-
	1200-1500-1600-2000
Jai	dineres 300-400-
m	500
Te	Sets, 56 pieces1000-1560
Di-	let Sets, 10 pieces 1000-1200-1508
TIN	ner Sets, 112 pieces 2000-2500 abrella Stands 800-1000-
CH	1900-2000
V.	ses, per pair 300-400-
	500-680-800-1000
Ch	ocolate Pots 400-500.
	800 000 1000
Clo	eks 500-600-
	cks
Jai	dineres, with Pedestals, 500-800-
	1000-1200
Cal	barets 500-600
Cre	cker Jars 300-400-
	500-600
	Sundries
Bre	onze Ornaments 300-500-
	AVD 900 1000

MERCHANTS OF FREELAND.

A. OSWALD, Dry Good, Notions, Groceries, Wood and Willow-ware, Oilcloth, Hats, Caps, Shoes Flour, Feed, etc.

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REFOWICH'S "Wear Well Boot and Shoe House, 53 Centre Street.

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WM. KEIPBR, Confectionery, Tebacco, Cigars, etc.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

Washington, January 2, 1900.
Day by day the proofs that the administration has a secret understanding with Great Britian, which is tantamount to an alliance, becomes more and more conclusive. The sending of the cruiser Montgomery to do police duty for the British sat the fever stricken port of Sierra Leone, and the extraordinary supineness of the state department, under the seizure of American flour on the high seas, are evidences in point, stonal representation and Washington, January 2, 1900 signal come, and the extraordinary supineness of the state department, under the seizure of American flour on the high seas, are evidences in point. The equivocations semi-oficially put forth by the state department to excuss its conduct in the latter case, are pitted to be stated the conduct in the latter case, are pitted by the state department to excuss its conduct in the latter case, are pitted by the state department to excuss its conduct in the latter case, are pitted by the state department to excussitional and the electoral votes of a number of Southern states. Representative Wilson, of South Carolina, which be doubted the situation at Delagoa bay to that in Cuba during our war with Spain, and to justify the seizures by our seizures at that time. As a matter of course, any and all property, whether contraband of war or not, is subject to seizure undersing fig. 10 to a neutral port with the intention of there trans-shipping and ultimately sending to a blockaded port. Even if bound to a neutral port with the intention of there trans-shipping and ultimately sending to a blockaded port, if has been held subject to seizure. If contraband of war, it is subject to seizure, if bound for a hostile port, whether blockaded or not. But no nation has ever before advanced the plea that neutral property under the neutral flag bound from one neutral port, whether contraband or not, was subject to seizure.

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To so hold would be to cripple all trade by sea during the continuance of any war, no matter how small. Great Britian herself has not advanced this plea. It has remained for our subservient state department to advance it for her.

The department asserts that instructions have been sent to our cousul and to our ambassador to investigate the matter. Sent by what means? By mail. By mail that will take at least two months to reach its designation! Even then, according to administration organs, all the United States can do is to await the action of the British prize courts, as other nations waited when we were at war. But by the time the courts release the floor, the plucky little South African republics will probably be starved out. The pleat hat other nations awaited the action of our courts is as disingenuous as the rest. Our seizures were made in accordance with well known principles of international law. Great Britian's seizures are made in contravention of all law. She is certain to disavow them and to pay damages to the owners, perhaps to dismiss some officer who has been instructed to sacrifice himself for his country. Her only desire is to gain time, and in this she is obediently aided by her American ally.

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CURRENT COMMENT.

Notes and Comments, Political an Otherwise, on Matters of Interest. By Andrew J. Palm.

McKinley and his jingo advisers should have the Declaration of Independence revised so as to read: "All governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governors."

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At the close of the fiscal year Treasurer Beacom finds \$2,000,000 more in the state treasury than was taken in the state treasury than was taken in last year. When the people of the state take time to think about it they will naturally ask, "What excuse had Gevernor Stone for cutting out a millior dollars of the school appropriation?" The public school is the last institution that should suffer by the financial pruning knife, and no excuse except that of absolute inability to pay will be accepted as a reason to justify either legislature or executive in cutting short the appropriation. Governor Stone has no such excuse to plead.

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The last legislature passed an act providing that the appointment of county commissioners clerk shall be for a period of three years unless he be discharged for cause. In view of this act the clerks in Crawford, Mercer and Lackawanna counties resigned recently and were reappointed, noping thereby to hold over for three years from the time of appointment. As there are several gentlemen hungering and thirsting for these positions, many of whom were promised them before the election, if things went their way, it is almost certain that the legality of such appointments will be tested in court.

court.

What a shock it must have been to the Republican members of the house and their eleven Democratic allies to learn that during the very hour they were railroading the sound currency measure through a panic was occurring in New York which, according to Republican authorities, caused the loss of \$100,000,000 and the ruin of theursands of men. This law that is to establish honesty, stability, soundness, confidence and everything else necessary or desirable in our financial system? "I'was really too bad, for it looked so very like a judgment seat from Heaven to rebuke Wall street and its representatives at Washington.

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The dividing line between the Demo-cratic and the Republican parties is no wavering uncertain boundary, but has clear and well defined limits. The Democratic party is unaiterably arrayed against trusts, against imperialism, against the single gold standard, against robbery by tariff, and favors the imposition of a graded income tax. There are other minor points of difference between the parties, but these are the esentials by which men are to be judged. The man who imagines himself a Democrat, but finds himself out of harmony with his party on any of these questions, may well begin to doubt the soundness of his Democracy, and should not ask to represent his party in any official capacity which has to do with party policies.

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No antediluvian high priest ever had more reverence for his soothasyers and sorcerers than have our secretaries of the treasury held for the Morgans and other Wall street usurers. It was announced a day or two before the late panic in New York that Mr. Gags and Mr. Morgan had a long conference. It will be remembered that this same Mr. Morgan came up the day of the panic land saved matters from utter demoralization by offering a million dollars at 6 per cent, while money at the same time within a few feet was bringing 56 per cent. Possibly the million was from Uncle Sam's strong box. If Morgan sold his own money at 6 per cent when he might have had more for the asking, the millenium may be looked for speedily. Grover Cleveland had some bond business with this same Mr. Morgan which put him, president as he was under grave suspicion.

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The imperialists are anxious to provoke the Cubans into some overt act as an excuse to seize upon the island and forcibly annex it. Our government has all through the contest acted more like an overgrown bully than an honorable gentleman. The administration has steadily refused all conciliatory measures in dealing with the Filipinos. Their envoy on a mission of peace was driven from Washington without recognition, in spite of the fact that our soldiers had saluted the Filipino fing and welcomed the Filipino soldier as an ally against Spain. We provoked them into firing on our flag by first firing at them, and then like a bully strutting around with a chip on his shoulder. We take that as a reason for exterminating them or compelling them to accept us as their masters. Some filmsy pretext will sooner or later be trumped up as an excuse for holding Cuba. Twill give sufficient expansion to afford a few political spoilsmen good fat places, and that is what expansion really means, and all it means, to those who are most ardent in urging it.

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Republican leaders, especially those who have a brotherly feeling for trusts, do not like Hon. William J. Bryan's proposition that trusts should be dealt with by the general government. They say that the states should look after them, and they declare that Bryan is undemocratic when he would invoke the aid of congress. This is all very fine, for when a state passes a law with a view to curbing the trust evil it is easy to get a decision from the supreme court declaring that the law interferes with the interstate commerce act. There's nothing like making matters as easy as possible for the supreme court. Cases have occurred when there was no way for the court to do as it desired except to reverse itself, and of course that's humiliating and likely to cause suspision. Courts are composed of ordinary human beings who have their full share of human weaknesses, and men who are seldom selected solely because they are the best and ablest that can be had. The average man would respect the supreme court if it would only let him, but it will take years of fair dealing to wipe out the memory of that infamous decision on the income tax. Twas so plain.

A Promise Not Fulfilled.

McKinley shouted from the housetops that there would be no step backward in the civil service regulations
for securing compatent deputies and
clerks in the government employment.
When the spoilsmen of his party needed more plunder to capture delegates
to the Ohio convention he took 9,000
places from the pretection of the merit system and put them at the disposal
of the heelers.

His law office are subordinates have
refrained from prosecuting the Republican State Co-amittee from Ohio
for levying tribute on postmasters and
government clerks in order that a
slush fund might be raised to help out
the party in the buckeye state. Yet
such action is declared to be a plain
and flagrant violation of the law. This
promise to the people has been
broken.—Helena Ludependent.

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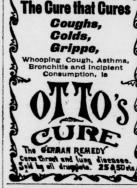
And now the administration organs declare that "the question to-day is not who began the firing in the Philippines, but who shall end it, and in what way?" This is a frank admission that it all resolves itself into a question of territorial conquest without stopping to consider the rights of the people of the archipelago and it is the equivalent of a confession that the American troops started the war under orders from Washington in the face of an official report that the Filipinos did not want war.—Kansas City Times.

Gobbled by the Trust.

The formal transfer of the plant of the Charles H. Sieg Manufacturing Company, at Kenoeha, Wis., to the American Bicycle Company, commonly known as the bicycle trust, has been consummated. All departments were at once shut down. The price paid for the plant is said to be \$240,000. At the time of the sale the company had orders for the manufacturing of over 20,000 wheels.

It is beginning to be believed that Admiral Sampson will go down in nav-al history as the commander whose fleet bombarded the forts of Santiago and killed a mule.

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