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THE COMING CAMPAIGN.

It will not be many months before the campaign for the next presidential race. For many years there has been no such confusion in parties as there is at this hour. There is but one acknowledged issue, and both the democrats and republicans are at division on this, the issue of further coinage of silver. The fight is waging in both organizations, and the conventions will be very interesting. True, President Cleveland and Secretary of the Treasury Carlisle are striving their utmost to controvert the sentiment of free coinage of silver within democratic ranks, and their conversions are not noted for insignificance, from a numerical standpoint. The study of financial political economy is a deep one and Cleveland and Carlisle, as citizens, have as well grounded rights for their individual beliefs, as any citizen, but their power and position does not make their position any the more enable. It may be possible that free coinage will be unwise, but it is a fact that the control of the money market where it now lies, is doing much to build the sentiment as against a single gold standard, and for further coinage of silver, and it is a fact that, today, notwithstanding the fight by political power and the press which opposes any change in finance, were it to come to a vote, free coinage of silver, at least of the American product, would carry.

When the campaign is here, it should be the duty of the democracy to allow no ridicule or covert expressions to change their attitude in this question, nor should the party adhere to free silver policy simply as a vote catcher. This great conservator of national principles, which has had longer life than any party in existence, and yet known less official power, is too patriotic, too grand, too willing a listener to the voice of the people not heed it. It is an opinion well founded that something should be done to check the power now held by Wall street bankers, who in turn are supported by English capital. It is not, as the gold standard press emphatically states, a move to hoist a depreciated dollar upon the people—this free silver move—but it is a move to circumvent a condition which may be needed at any time to put the gold dollar to a premium and hold it here. Free coinage could not and would not depreciate the gold dollar—neither will it drive gold from the country—that idea is nonsense—out it would have a restraining influence on gold, and such a one that no financial panic could make the yellow dollar worth more than any other dollar.

It is amusing, yet pitiful in the extreme to note the abuse and ridicule going the rounds of the "sound money" press, and the fact that these articles constitute their argument is sufficient evidence their case is a weak one. The populists, who have ever held for the paper dollar, although advocating free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver, are now recognizing the weakness of the gold standard position, and are now strenuously pushing the free coinage issue, in hopes of catching strength from both parties. That it may take more strength from them is true, but nothing to speak of, unless they make a sweeping change in their platform. As the great artisan of national economic cult, for the conservation of principles dear to the masses, the democratic party must not will take hold of this question in the coming campaign, and nothing but a return of normal trade relations, and a complete march to universal national prosperity within the next few months, will prevent it.

Some of Portland's papers are making a great deal of fuss about some 17 Indians having been killed in Jackson Hole. They are good Indians now, and their lamentations are out of order. If the savages wish to hunt let them stay on the reserves.

The application of civil service rules to U. S. pension agents by Cleveland, is one of the best moves ever made by the president. President Cleveland, as a public officer, always had the courage of his convictions, and that he has been a fearless advocate of reform when in executive capacity of any kind whatever, is a matter of record.

George Hall made Beaverton a very pleasant call last week. Quite a number are going to the hills, and some to the coast, from this place, and every day sees new departures. This season so far has not been very warm, but look out for the hot wave this summer month.

J D Fleck's family left for the Nestaca Monday of this week. J DeLetts has been quite ill for the past few days and is again confined to his room. HERNES BROS started their threshing last week. They say that in general the yield is good, although in some places it is not turning out as well as expected. M Wren has fully recovered from his recent illness. The surprise party at C. H. Blanchard's one evening last week was well attended and greatly enjoyed by the young people. There is a very powerful magnet on the Nehalem river. As an illustration, W. H. Cornum and W. W. Marsh were drawn thither Saturday evening last, the second time this month. They returned some time Sunday night. John and Walter Lyons returned Sunday night from a three days outing and fishing trip in the Gales Creek country. Fred Kenech and his dog ran amok of three skunks the other day and the pup is now disgusted. Assessor's Report. CENSUS REPORT. Legal voters, 4,044. Males, 21 years and upwards, 4,295. Under 21 and over 10, 1,915. Under 10, 2,040. Females over 18, 3,593. Under 18 and over 10, 1,504. Females under 10, 2,015. Total population, 15,362. The most interesting feature of the report is that which gives the production for the year 1894, together with other valuable miscellany. MISCELLANEOUS REPORT. Acreage under cultivation, 65,286. No bushels wheat raised, 267,202. No bushels oats, 581,088. Barley and rye, 17,172. No tons hay, 36,023. Bushels corn, 1,249. Butter and cheese sold, 487,578. Doz eggs sold, 232,006. Bbls flour manufactured, 12,266. Hops raised, 525,288. Bushels potatoes, 305,158. Apples, 66,488. Prunes and plums, 8,034. In pears, 6,037. Grapes, 186,270. Bu. tomatoes, 785. Bu. onion cured, 478,091. Wool produced, 39,642. Head sheep in county, 7,024. Swine, 5,806. Horses, 5,777. Mules, 124. Cattle, 9,871. Strawberries, 40,714. Bushels onions, 54,203. Feet lumber manfd., 9,170,000.

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COUNTY NEWS

SCHOLLS.

Hesse Brothers are hauling post timber, preparatory to improving their fences on their farms.

Thomas Tucker and Eugene Dant are in the neighborhood threshing this week for his husbandry.

Deputy Bradford, of the Shrievalty, was down in this section Monday.

Mr LaRue, our merchant, started for Yaquina bay Monday in search of health and pleasure.

D B Emerick made a business trip to Portland and Hillsboro this week.

W J Grimes is at present looking after the business interests of Mr LaRue during the latter's absence.

The Misses Pearl and Cora Schmeltzer Miss Candie, Grace Wallan and Nellie LaRue visited at Mountain Sunday, the guests of Miss Mollie Miller.

Mr and Mrs E C Hunt were the guests of T J Wallan, Sunday.

We understand that Messrs Wallan & Sutton have sold their boom of logs to the Tualatin Lumbering Co, which is a good deal for them having had them on the market for a long time.

Mr Eddie Groat of this place was a guest at Mt Side Sunday last.

Miss Mollie Miller is visiting with Mrs LaRue this week.

Miss Cutts arrived from the east recently and will reside with her sister, Mrs J E Goudie, of Good Luck bend.

H Collier and family of Laurel, visited with Mr and Mrs LaRue Sunday.

Bathing seems to be the popular pastime with our youth, and black and tan is the color for suits. Opera glasses will next be in demand.

Wilbur Shook and brother of West Chealem, were in Scholls Monday.

The Hatcher and Independent correspondent was a visitor at Mrs J D Rowella Sunday.

CORNELIUS.

Warnie Lee and his father left for the Nehalem on a fishing trip last Monday.

Peter Jacquot and daughter, A B Lewis and wife and Mrs Anna Miller visited David's Hill last Sunday.

Charley Dodds and L Lupien attended the dance at Greenville Saturday night.

F S Byers traded his property near Manning for the Arthur Watrous property in the south part of town. Mr Byers will become a resident of Cornelius.

Geo Hancock and wife and cousin left Monday for East Dairy creek for a few days outing.

Albert Wilcox is still very low.

Lyman Wilcox came in on Monday's train from Eastern Oregon to visit his parents and brothers.

Our genial landlord, J R Miller, has a very sore eye as yet.

Pate Wells and family and Nate Noel and family drove up to the Gales Creek road Saturday for an outing.

We hear that Elder Anderson baptised 27 persons last Sunday at the Gales Creek camp meeting.

Mrs Sness is numbered among the sick this week. Dr Smith is attending her.

E E Nickerson came out Monday from the Nehalem country.

FOREST GROVE.

The gold fever has struck this region and prospectors are out on every hand. The Dilley excitement still keeps up and many are under various pretexts examining the surrounding country.

Mr C Fritz of the Pacific Coast Engraving Co, is in town again after a trip of several weeks in the interest of his company. He visited many up river points and secured a great deal of work.

Arrangements have been made for the machinery for the new L H Albert & Co flouring mill. It will be of the very latest improved and best manufacture, and will arrive some time in this month for placement.

Mr Christian, a former business man of this place, returned Tuesday from the southern Oregon country where he has been prospecting for some months. He has a placer and a quartz claim down in that section and exhibits some fine specimens from each.

Dr C B Smith, of Clackamas county, a member of the last legislature, passed through the city last week enroute for the Tillamook county.

Prof Garrison and family have been spending several days in and around Amity, his location of pioneer days.

Mrs Lott, of Gaston, drew \$160 on a pension check the other day in this city, and the next morning she discovered it had mysteriously disappeared. A search for the money, both home and at this place proved fruitless.

Mr and Mrs Thomas Roe, Mrs E H Marsh, Misses Anna Roe and Belle Clark and Chas Shattuck started Tuesday for a few days outing.

C E Deichman, of Hillsboro, as D D G M, installed officers of Washington, No 48, I O O F, the other evening. He was assisted by East Grand Humphrey, and Noble Grand Wilkes of Hillsboro.

BEAVERTON.

Mrs Case, formerly a teacher in the city school here, was spending a few days in our midst last week.

Mr and Mrs Squires of Greenville, passed through here Monday.

Mrs Josie Taylor of Portland, was in town this week, visiting relatives and friends.

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