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HINC ILLAE LACRIMAE.

As Mark Antony said at the grave of Caesar, "If you have tears to shed prepare to shed them now." The Oregonian weeps. Let us swipe an onion peel and weep with it. The Republican state convention refused to "indorse the brave stand made by Senator Simon in congress," and the Oregonian refuses to be comforted. It touches our heart of hearts to see this Damon and Pythias affection unrecognized. What a lot of ingrate chumps these Oregon Republicans are anyway. If the name of Simon was too sacred to be used in a conventional indorsement, why did not the luncheons "indorse the brave stand made by the Democratic party" and let it go at that? The world would have known what they meant and would have revered their modesty. And the tears of the Oregonian would have been spared for the defeat of Brother Corbett later on. Can it be that the delegates imagined that an indorsement of Simon would have been a reflection on McBride, Tongue and Moody, not to say McKinley and the whole Republican administration? What right had the delegates to imagine anything? Who cares for McBride or Tongue or Moody or McKinley, or anybody but dear, "brave" Senator Simon? Ah me! What cruel monsters these Republican delegates are! Brother Scott, you have THE CHRONICLE'S most distinguished commiseration.

"FREE TRADE AND THE CONSTITUTION."

In discussing the Puerto Rican bill the New York Tribune calls attention to some facts that must be known before one is competent to pronounce a fair judgment on the bill. The Tribune says:

"Puerto Rico tradesmen, we are told, cannot reconcile themselves to the tariff imposition. They want 'free trade under the constitution.' But do they realize what that would involve in regard to their own interest? It would mean the imposition upon them, also, of our entire internal revenue system, including the tax on tobacco, the stamp taxes and all the rest. Do the Puerto Ricans want that? We are told that they do not. In fact, they have protested against it as strongly as they have asked for free trade. But they cannot cut and carve the constitution to suit their own taste and fancy. If the constitution is extended to their island, so as to make their tariff system a part of ours, it must be extended in its entirety, so as to make their internal revenue system identical with ours. Suppose they and their hot-gospeller friends turn their consideration from the tariff for a moment and fix it upon the internal revenue. They may find therein nutritious food for thought."

The first plank in the Democratic state platform reads as follows: "We, the Democrats of Oregon, in convention assembled, do hereby affirm and indorse, in whole and in part, in letter and in spirit, the platform adopted by the Democratic convention held in Chicago in 1896. [And the money plank of the Democratic, People's party and Silver Republican parties of 1898.] The clause in brackets was added as the price the Democrats had to pay the Pops for their help to pull the Democratic chestnuts out of the fire. Then when they had adopted the platform with a whoop they nominated a gold-standard banker from Lakeview, as their candidate for congress from the First district.

There might be some force in the talk about oppression of unrepresented Puerto Rico, says the New York Tribune, if congress were to levy special and higher taxes on it than on the home territories for federal purposes. But it has done no such thing. It levies no taxes

on Puerto Rico for federal purposes, and for local purposes levies a tax of which Americans trading with Puerto Rico must bear a share, instead of putting the whole burden on the island. If that is oppression of Puerto Rico, make the most of it. In fact, it is uncommon generosity, and nobody would dare question it except in the confusion over the novelty of a customs tariff being levied for purposes of local taxation, a course warranted in this case by the peculiar conditions of the island, and fairly entitled to a trial before being denounced. It no more violates pledges given to Puerto Rico than would the levying by congress of a direct tax for building a road in the island.

MERE FAUCIOUS OPPOSITION.

The men in congress and out of congress who have opposed the Puerto Rican bill have not suggested any alternative, says the Salem Statesman. They have not said how the money should be raised to pay the costs of the government and the improvements in the island. When they have voted against the bill, they have voted to let the Dingley duties remain—voted for 100 per cent instead of 15 per cent of the duties that have been charged.

The whole of the opposition has been merely an attack upon the administration, coupled with an attempt to gain some advantage by the men in this country favoring free trade. There has been no consistency, no fairness and no good business sense in the opposition. The country is waking up to these facts, and the conclusion will be that the very best thing has been done that could have been done; and that the opposition has been contemptible.

The Oregonian, a short time ago, said "Bryan is a far more dangerous man this year than in 1896," and Democratic papers all over the country have been frothing at the mouth over it ever since. It is a sad and solemn truth, notwithstanding. Silverism is no longer a menace to the country and no one dreads Bryan's election on account of it. But Bryanism caters to something infinitely worse than free silver. It bids for the vote of every man who imagines he has a grievance against society, of every disciple of unrest and revolution, of every socialist, nihilist, communist, anarchist, or by whatever name the forces of revolution and the enemies of law and order may be known. The triumph of Bryanism means the triumph of these forces. In a war of this nature there is no choice left to the man who loves his country and its flag. Bryanism must be annihilated by patriotic American ballots. The salvation of the nation is in the balance. Who the Republican nominee is, is a matter of small concern.

On the first day of the present month the volume of money in circulation in the United States was found, for the first time in our history, to exceed two billions. With an estimated population of \$77,395,000 the per capita circulation is \$26.12. Four years ago, when Bryan and his cohorts were screeching that money would become scarcer and dearer unless Bryan was elected president, the per capita was \$21.53 or \$4.59 less than it is today. This marvelous exhibit should satisfy—would satisfy anybody except a Populist, who wants paper money to trundle around by the wagon load.

The low estimate placed by Admiral Dewey upon the duties devolving upon the president ought to encourage some of the Multnomah Democrats—Judge O'Day, or General Kellfeather or Pat Powers, for example—to aspire to the office.

Secretary Gage has decided that the customs feature of the Puerto Rico bill goes into operation on the 1st day of May, 1900. This decision was made necessary in view of a discrepancy in the bill as to the time the act should become operative.

With refreshing inconsistency the Republicans of Multnomah county "indorsed the administration of President McKinley" and then indorsed Senator Simon for acting conspicuously in opposition to the administration.

TOM FITCH ON EXPANSION.

Tom Fitch, who will be remembered by old-timers as the "silver-tongued" orator of the Pacific coast, but who is hardly known to the younger generation, delivered a speech in Salt Lake City a short time ago on expansion that was characterized by all the fire and wealth of diction that distinguished the author a quarter of a century ago. The closing appeal to the young men in the audience will bear repetition. Mr. Fitch said:

"I have little hope that what I have said tonight will influence the votes of the stubborn greybeards who have turned their faces away from the light for all these many years. 'Ephraim is joined to his idols; let him alone.' But among this vast audience are many who are standing upon the threshold of manhood, and to them I appeal. Young men, do you think it wise to link your future with this record of past blunders and promise of future mistakes which calls itself the Democratic party? Will you be content to ride in their ramshackle wagon with your feet hanging over the tailboard and your face forever turned toward the rear? Will you fasten the young, bright-eyed, strong-limbed trotting horse of ambition and hope in double harness with a spavined and broken-kneed relic of the paleozoic age of politics? Will you accept the retrogressive doctrines of the butternut-breeched saleratus-saturated ague-shaken statesmen of the swamps? Will you turn from the smooth highway to stumble among the rocks and brambles? Will you deny yourselves the music and lights and shelter of the cathedral to skulk among the cold and gloomy gravestones of the churchyard?"

The Telegram says: "Senator McBride will be defeated—is indeed already defeated—not because he is not a man of extraordinary ability or especial fitness for so high and onerous a position,—he knows that he is not such a man—but simply because he was not big enough and courageous enough to grasp a great question and openly, boldly and forcefully take the right position upon it." The reference is, of course, to the senator's vote on the Puerto Rican bill. Inferentially, of course, it apotheosizes Senator Simon for having the courage "openly, boldly and forcefully" to desert his party and vote with the Democrats. But the logic is faulty. If McBride is to be slaughtered because he voted for the bill, why were Tongue and Moody re-nominated after they had done the same thing? It's a poor rule that wont work both ways.

In a speech delivered in the lower house of congress February 27th, Joseph C. Cannon, of Illinois, made the following statement, which accounts for the tears which have been shed by free-trade editors and speakers over the Puerto Rican tariff bill: "Who has this tobacco—3,000,000 pounds in Puerto Rico? I will tell you. The merchant has it; and I am informed that the tobacco trust of the United States owns it, and sends some of these poor Puerto Rican-American people, if not American people, over here to work for 'a fair show for Puerto Rico.' Three million pounds at 35 cents a pound. If they could import it today, they would have that duty to pay. If that tobacco should come to the United States, paying 35 cents a pound, that would be \$1,050,000 upon tobacco in the islands of the American Tobacco Trust."

Portland Fusionists have not yet agreed upon a ticket, and when they do it is doubtful if any can be named that will command the support of all the incongruous elements it is hoped to unite.

The official Republican majorities in Cincinnati range from 9583 to 3260. As the Democrats carried the city last fall the straw indicates that Ohio is ready for the presidential year.

CHRIST IS RISEN.

An Easter Day Sermon at the Methodist Church.

The interior of the Methodist church Sunday betokened the glad Easter tide and its celebration. The altar was

particularly beautiful in its decoration of potted plants and white flowers, and the exercises of the day were most fitting.

After the opening exercise of the morning, which included two beautiful anthems by the choir, the pastor, Rev. U. F. Hawk, took as his text the words "Now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that slept." By way of introduction he said that nearly 1900 years ago, as the first light shone over the Judan hills, there transpired an event which may well be termed the event of the ages. But a day or two before a man from Galilee had been nailed to the cross, suffering death for a great cause. The body was laid in the tomb, and remembering the prophecy concerning his resurrection, the king's seal was put upon the door and a soldier placed on guard. But all in vain, for the power of the God above was manifest and an angel was sent to roll away the stone, and the Lord came forth. This great event we celebrate today.

It would seem that heaven and earth combined to make this event the most noted of the ages, and so understood by all men. After a trial in accord with all the requirements of the age, the condemned was crucified publicly and before the great throng, which was present to attend the passover. While the people gazed in wonder, the heavens and the earth bear witness to the importance of the event—the sun clothed itself in sackcloth, the earth vibrated, the graves opened, while the veil of the temple was rent in twain.

After dwelling for a short time on the crucifixion and the burial, the speaker described the visit of the women to the grave on the morning of the third day, and in connection said that it seemed to be ordained that with all such important events woman should have an especial connection. While many had not dared to visit the grave and others had perhaps forgotten, these two women were permitted to be the first to greet the risen Lord and hear his loving voice.

"But today what of this man of Galilee who was shamefully crucified and held in dishonor? This morning as we come to celebrate the Easter day, we see the eyes of kings and princes, statesmen and scholars gazing to behold the open grave. From all parts of the world we see all eyes turned to him and the millions receiving him. Old men are singing 'Christ is risen,' while young men and maidens take up the glad refrain: and over the land more than 4,900,000 people are calling him Lord and Master."

In closing Mr. Hawk dwelt on the import of the resurrection to believers and the hope, joy and gladness which it brings to sorrowing ones, as well as to all the world this Easter day.

In the evening appropriate exercises were given by the Sunday school, the choir and others, which were not only fitting, but very well rendered and greatly appreciated.

The offerings of the day, which were generous, were devoted to missions.

Married.

Yesterday afternoon, April 16th, at the residence of the bridegroom's father, Mr. C. W. Haight, of this city, John J. Haight, of Cow Canyon, to Ella Callaghan, of Clackamas county.

THE CHRONICLE has not the pleasure of the acquaintance of the bride, but we have no doubt she is worthy of one of the best young men in Southeastern Wasco, which is precisely the deserved reputation of her young husband.

The young couple will make their future home at the Cow Canyon toll gate.

Rev. D. V. Poling performed the marriage ceremony.

Republicans, Attention!

A meeting of The Dalles McKinley Club will be held in the court house next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. The meeting is called for the purpose of electing officers and for the transaction of other business incident to the pending campaigns. By order
17-3t L. E. CROWE, President.

School Report.

Report of Fair View school, district No. 48, for the month ending April 13, 1900:
No. of days taught, 20.
No. of pupils enrolled, 35.
No. days attendance, 581.
Average daily attendance, 29.
The following named pupils were neither tardy nor absent: Alice Brown, Mabel Brown, Flora Brown, Mamie Brown, Lottie Crabtree, Edna Kaylor, Linnie Kaylor, Minnie Kaylor, Lena Snodgrass and Tina Snodgrass.
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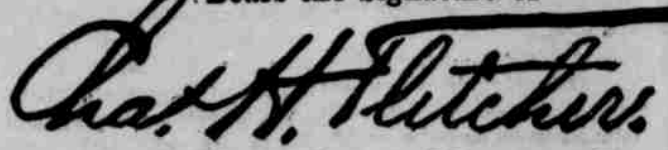


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Progress Towards Organization.

The young men of the Students' Literary Club are making steady progress towards organizing either a branch of the Y. M. C. A. or a society or club that shall work along Y. M. C. A. lines. A committee appointed by the Students' Literary Club has conferred with the Commercial Club and with the leading religious organizations of the city. The result is the appointment of a committee from each of these bodies who will meet together some day—not yet fixed—this week and agree upon the character of the new organization. H. W. Stone, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Portland, will stop over on his way home from the East and give the meeting the benefit of his knowledge of the workings of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Stone promises to telegraph Mr. Brownhill when he will be here and a meeting of all the committees will then be called. The following are the committees of the several bodies, the whole of whom constitute what may be called a Committee on Organization:
Methodist church—Messrs. Will Condon, N. Wheasdon, S. Bolton, Rev. U. F. Hawk.
D. C. & A. Club—Messrs. C. L. Phillips and E. Kurtz.
Episcopal church—Messrs. D. L. Vause, T. A. Hudson, J. F. Moore.
Congregational church—J. M. Huntington, Miss Nan Cooper, Mr. Merrill, Rev. D. V. Poling.
Baptist church—Messrs. Woodworth, Alloway, Johns, and Rev. Clifton.
Christian church—Messrs. Whetberall, Egbert, O'Brien, and Rev. G. Rushing.
Salvation Army—Captain Simmons.
Students' Literary Club—Dr. Sanders, Clyde Riddle, Timothy Brownhill, Joseph McArthur.
W. C. T. U.—Messdames Barnett, Parkins, Lamison, Donnell, Rushing.

Lost His Jurisdiction.

Justice Brewer the other day told a story of an Indian justice of the peace who owned a farm, says the Lewiston Evening Journal. One line of his fence formed the boundary of the states of Indiana and Ohio. Like others in rural districts, who hold that office, he had an abnormal appreciation of the responsibility of the office, and never lost an opportunity to exercise his prerogative of demanding that the peace be preserved. One day his son and his hired man got to fighting on a stretch of the farm near the boundary fence, and the justice of the peace rushed out and mounted the fence. Then, with head cocked high and the air of one who has but to command, he shouted: "In the name of the state of Indiana I demand the preservation of the peace!" Just then the fence gave way under his weight, and as he went down with the fence toppling over to the Ohio side, he shouted to his son: "Give him h—l Jim. I have lost my jurisdiction."

Sold Their Grub for a Library.

A merry crowd left here Friday evening in Ward & Robertson's wagonette bound for Miss Mabel Riddell's school, two miles east of Mosier. An enjoyable ride of over two hours brought the party to their destination, where a warm and handsomely decorated school house and a cheery welcome awaited them. The entertainment began promptly at 8 o'clock, consisting of songs by the sixteen pupils of the school, recitations,

dialogues, and a violin solo by M. Middlewart. Every number was admirably rendered and showed that great care had been exercised in the preparation. A delightful hour and a half was spent in this manner, when the lunch baskets of the visitors and pupils were placed on the platform and sold at auction for the benefit of a projected school library, realizing the handsome sum of \$30.20. Superintendent Gilbert made an interesting speech explaining of the methods he was pursuing to place a library within the reach of every school in the county. The disposal of the contents of the lunch baskets closed the entertainment and after the guests had been exchanged the crowd wended their way homeward by the cheery light of an April moon.

Those present from The Dalles were Misses Mabel Cross, Mae Barnett, Edna Barnett, Bertie Burtis, Millie Sexton, Bertha Willerton, Jennie Martin, and Messrs. Cyde Riddell, Clarence Gilbert, Clay Uren, Northrup, James Simmons, Earl Curtis, Joseph Starr, Owen Brown and C. L. Gilbert.

Obtained Certificates.

There were twenty-five applicants for county certificates at the teachers' examination held at The Dalles April 11th, 12th and 14th, with the following results. The manuscripts of one applicant were sent to Gilliam county for grading and two were sent to Crook county. Certificates were granted as follows:

First grade—W. L. Harrington, The Dalles; J. M. Carroll, Mosier; Leah Driver, Wamie.
Second grade—Lottie Covey, Dufur; Ada Bell, Boyd; Jennie Parsons, Hood River; Rachel Morgan, The Dalles; Bessie Stakely, Smock; Katie Brown, The Dalles; Maud Sigman, Dufur.
Third grade—Wilber J. Baldwin, Boyd; Grace I. Davis, The Dalles; Mae Jones, The Dalles; James W. Powell, Dufur; Jessie McLeod, Kingsley; David Allen, Dufur; Edith Underhill, Boyd.

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