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ST. HELENS, OREGON, JUNE 19.

THE people believe in McKinley because he believes in the kind of legislation that moves the wheels of domestic industry, and favors home labor by shutting out unjust and unfair competition.

SINCE it is a foregone conclusion that the republican national convention will declare absolutely for the gold standard, excellent opportunity will be afforded to test the strength of the money question.

THE nominating speeches at the St. Louis convention will be made by Senator-elect Foraker for McKinley, Senator Lodge for Reed, Chauncy M. Depew for Morton, and J. N. Baldwin for Allison. This means that the oratory in the case will be up to the highest mark of excellence.

FARMERS complain that it is as hard to hire labor in the cities as it was before the electric railways began to reach out into rural places. Inventive electricians will have to help out the tillers of the soil, for it is evident that the "unemployed" will not count for much when there is a rush of work in the fields.

THE official returns from Umatilla county show that out of 3473 votes cast for congressman, Northup received 386. There are thirty-three precincts in that county, and in three of those precincts he did get one vote. In six precincts he received only one vote in each, while the largest vote he received in any precinct was only 42.

THE timber wealth of the United States gives a yearly product of over a billion dollars, or more than twice the value of the entire output of all the mines. Yet nowhere on earth is the wealth of the forests wasted more wantonly than in this country. Trees and forest are slashed down not only without consideration, but with something akin to contempt.

THOSE persons who are engaged in fishing at this point are proving conclusively that there is money in the business at 4 cents a pound for salmon. Many hundreds of dollars are paid out here each month for fish, and had there been no interruption by high water and other causes, local fishermen would have been the means of several hundred dollars—yea, thousands of dollars, having been put into circulation in this vicinity this season.

SYLVESTER PENNOYER, mayor elect of Portland, says he will accept but half of the salary, which is $5000 per year, of that office. Pennoyer is evidently on the point of making another of his famous "galley plays." He is a sly old fox, and can give his opponents cards and spades and beat them all getting votes. It's a pitty, though, that his present kindly feeling for the taxpayers' pocket books hadn't struck him while he was governor of the state.

THE city of Johnstown, Pa., which was overwhelmed by the waters of a broken dam May 31, 1889, engulfing several thousand people, is now a handsome and thriving place of 40,000 inhabitants, having added 10,000 to its population since that calamity. Johnstown lost 7 per cent of its citizens in the raging torent, and yet it is now one of the most prosperous cities of its size in the state. American pluck has always been found equal to every emergency.

THE national convention will declare in emphatic language for the gold standard. They spoke of the free coinage of silver only on terms that could be agreed up by international agreement. Tariff is the paramount issue, according to the platform, and it is our opinion that tariff will be urged more particularly than any other question. If the campaign is made strictly upon a gold standard and high protective platform, then, and not until then, will we be able to tell just "where we are at."

THE "filled cheese" bill passed by the senate is analogous to the oleomargarine act of a few years ago in the respect that its purpose is to tax an objectionable manufacture out of existence. Filled cheese is made by using skimmed milk and lard instead of cream. It is not unwholesome, but it competes with the better article to the injury of the farmers, and therefore they want protection against it in the form of a tax high enough to take away the profits of those who are engaged in its production.

IT has come to our ears, but we cannot vouch for it being whole cloth, that a jug of applejack was taken to the polls of one of our rural precincts on election day, and a large number of voters became quite hilarious before the day was ended. It is said that when the count was made, twenty ballots were found to be a little out of kilter. One voter, who had imbibed quite freely, when he attempted to mark his ballot found the job too difficult for him so he turned the back of the ballot and wrote, "Straight Democratic, be gob, and don't you forget it," and then signed his name thereto.

JUST eighty years ago was the year without a summer. Frost occurred every month in the year 1816. Ice formed half an inch thick in May. Snow fell to the depth of three inches in New York, and also in Massachusettes, in June. Ice was formed the thickness of a common window glass throughout New York on the 5th day of July. Indian corn was so frozen that the greater part of it was cut in August and dried for fodder, and the farmers supplied themselves from the corn produced in 1815 for the seeding of the spring of 1817.

"MIND your p's and q's, is an old time expression, but the following is well peppered with p's: Persons who patronize papers should pay promptly, for the pencuniary prospects of the press have a peculiar power of pushing forward public prospects. If the printer is paid promptly and his purse kept plethoric by prompt paying patrons, he puts his pen to the paper in peace, his paragraphs are more pointed, he paints his pictures of passing events in more perfect colors, and the perusal of his paper is more pleasing to the people. Paste this piece of proverbial philosophy in a prominent place where all can peruse it.

THE West is bound to witness a big influx of immigration this fall. Cyclones and floods are becoming entirely too numerous and devastating in the Eastern and Middle states, and the people will seek a place where their lives are not in hourly jeopardy from pranks of the elements. This would not be an inappropriate time for Columbia county to advertise her resources with a view to inducing people who command the vast fortunes of Eastern lucre to step westward and invest. Columbia county has inducements for investments which are of no small importance. We should have manufacturing established in our midst. The magnificent inducements which our county offers should not much longer remain unnoticed, nor will they if we only demand the recognition we merit; but it takes energy on the part of our people to do this. The country is not developed by idle hands, but it is brought about by the outgrowth of enterprise and unrelaxing industry.

THE Oregon Pioneer Association held its annual reunion in Portland this week, beginning Tuesday. With these veterans of Pioneer days there is much of history of which the present generation knows little. The hardships attending a trip across the great plains during the '40s can only be realized by those left to testify from actual experience. Very few, comparatively, are now living who were the heads of families that came to Oregon prior to 1850, while most of those who take part in meetings of the pioneers were mere boys and girls when they were ushered into this once unknown wilderness, where the whiteman carried his life in his hand every minute and hour of the day or night, not knowing at what moment he would be attacked by savages from ambush, followed by the fatal effects of the tomahawk. Those days are now reduced to the records of history, and well may the few survivors of those trying times meet and look with pride upon the present state of civilization made possible by their fearless westward march. All honor to the Oregon pioneer.

Mr. D. P. Davis, a prominent liveryman and merchant of Goshen, Va., has this to say on the subject of rheumatism: "I take pleasure in recommending Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism, as I know from personal experience that it will do all that is claimed for it. A year ago this spring my brother was laid up in bed with inflammatory rheumatism, and suffered intensely. The first application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm eased the pain, and the use of one bottle completely cured him. For sale by Dr. Edwin Ross.

Left Handed People.

No purely left handed race has yet been discovered, although it is said that fully 70 per cent of the inhabitants of Pendjab use the left hand in preference to the right. The next greatest per cent of left handedness is among the Hottentots of Africa and the Bushmen of Australia—about 55 per cent. Dr. Marro says that 22 per cent of all criminals are left handed.—Exchange.

Charcoal Filters.

The English claim that filters of sponge, sand or loose charcoal are only partial in their results. They prefer a porous block of pure (animal) charcoal, combining the highest known chemical with the greatest possible mechanical or straining capacity. Every soldier in hot climates is provided with one of these blocks as a part of his outfit.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION AND ORder of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County, in favor of Mary C. Hill and against Nathan Nichols, upon a judgment rendered therein on the 15th day of May, 1896, for the sum of $1776.75, with interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent per annum since said day, and for costs and disbursements taxed at $15, and for accruing costs, upon which execution, certain personal property of said Nichols was sold on the 3rd day of June, 1896, for the sum of $340, and said sum having been applied towards the payment of said judgment.

Now, therefore, I will, on the 8th day of July, 1896, at the east door of the courthouse, in St. Helens, said county and state, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M., of said day, sell at public vendue, subject to redemption, according to law, all of said Nathan Nichols' right, title and interest of, in and to the following-described real estate to-wit:

Beginning at a point where the county road intersects a lot of land now owned by B. W. Blood, which borders on the Clatskanie river, thence running in a southerly course on the line of said lot a distance of 100 feet; thence in an easterly direction 100 feet, to the county road, thence running along said county road 116 feet, to the place of beginning. Also that certain lot of land beginning at a stake marked "B", running thence due south 100 feet, thence due east 50 feet, thence due north 100 feet, thence west 50 feet to the place of beginning; all of said land being a part of the donation land claim of E. G. Bryant, in section 3, township 7 north, range 4 west of the Willamette meridian, together with the tenements, heriditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, in Columbia county, Oregon, to satisfy the balance of said execution.

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THE TEXT AND THE SITUATION.

The Pew Wasn't Big Enough For Uncle Lemmie and the Grass Widow.

Two clergymen were riding on the elevated the other day. Said one of them, "What is the funniest experience you ever had in church?" "Well, answered the other, a twinkle coming into his eye, "if you mean with queer people, I think it was during the vacation I have just finished. This year I spent my holidays in a quaint little town up north. I preached for them one Sunday.

"The town is full of queer characters. Among others is an old man, 'Uncle Lemmie.' When he was a young fellow, he had been disappointed in love, and from that time he has been sour. You should have seen him. His ears stuck out like those of Mother Hubbard's dog. Well down on them he wore a disreputable silk hat. His chin rested on the two prominent points of his collar, and in his hand he always carried a great, thick green cotton umbrella, tied with a rusty shoestring.

"Uncle Lemmie's particular thorn in the flesh was a grass widow, aggressive from her head to her feet. Her nose stuck straight out threateningly, her hair bristled up from her forehead, she walked like a steam engine, and when she walked every loop of her bonnet ribbon shook. The very first sight of her to Uncle Lemmie was like the waving of a red flag to a bull. It happened that they went to the same church, but the ushers knew the situation well enough to have a goodly proportion of the sanctuary between them.

"Unfortunately the Sunday I preached there was a new usher. The opening services were well under way. Uncle Lemmie was there in a pew by himself. He was leaning on the umbrella and was looking at me with complacence. I was just about to announce my text when down the aisle came the new usher, and in his wake the grass widow, to Uncle Lemmie's pew.

"Uncle Lemmie gave one look as the figure rustled into the pew, gathered up his umbrella, his hat and his prayer book and cleared the back of the pew in front of him with the agility of a boy. I never had such difficulty in announcing a text, for when Uncle Lemmie landed in the front pew my words rang out across the church:

"'There hath no evil ever befallen you but such as is common to man, but God will with the temptation also make a way of escape.'"—New York Sun.

Dancing For Husbands.

Several Pendletonians went on Wednesday to the Indian celebration above the government school. They found a huge oblong wigwam, probably 75 feet in length. In the interior was gathered a motley throng, and around the center mats and skins were arranged for the spectators to squat upon.

Soon a dance began to the sound of weird and inharmonious music from the Siwash "band." It seemed to be a sort of love dance. It was the part of young squaws who wanted husbands to go forward within the circle and perform the various queer movements which constitute Indian dancing. If the appearance of any one of them struck a brave favorably, he would join her, thus indicating his desire to become her husband. Several of the dusky maidens received no such advances and seemed much wounded in pride and feelings.—Pendleton East Oregonian.

In the Presence of Royalty.

A friend tells me rather an amusing little incident of the levee. He noticed close behind him a tall, stout man gorgeously attired in a volunteer colonel's uniform, whose plainly discernible nervousness and heated countenance showed that he was new to such receptions. As my informant stepped forward to make his obeisance to the prince his timid and weighty follower, from sheer anxiety to see "how it was done," gave a big lurch forward and sent him staggering heavily into the arms of the heir apparent. A smile ran round the room, and the prince laughed audibly as he steadied himself from the shock of his unexpected burden. As for the unhappy cause of the contretemps, he was heared to murmur something about "begging his royal highness' pardon."

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hearty, gay and free,
And when we gathered round the board, our
evenin meal to eat,
The chatter and the laughter was an everlastin
treat.

Dear mother would beg pardin fer every single
dish,
And we'd all declare in chorus 'twas exactly
to our wish;
Then the ball of conversation would begin to
circle round,
And each one would take a hand to keep it on
the bound.

Pa'd spin the yarns he'd spun so oft he really
thought 'em true,
And we'd laugh and choke our vittles just as if
they wus bran new;
And we'd chat as long at table as dad thought
we could afford.
But everything is altered since the teacher's
come to board.

When he come, the neighbors envied us and
'lowed we'd caught a prize,
But he hadn't eat a meal 'fore he began to
criticise,
And if any of us happened a word to mispronounce
That criticisin teacher would be on us with a
pounce.

He started in on poor old dad, who hain't got
no book larnin,
And he'd interrupt his stories with long lecturin's consarnin
The correct pronunciation and the proper way
to spell
Till I heard dad say to mother, "Wisht that
teacher wus in"— Well,

The old man acts so queer at times I really almost think
This teacher's constant pesterin has druve him
clean to drink.
We don't have evenin prayers no more, and
dad's stopped saytn grace.
If he shets his eyes, he says he sees a grammar
'fore his face.

All our meals is now like funerals; all the
laughter's died away;
We young uns don't dare whisper lest our ignorance we betray;
Dad's appetite's forsook him, and he's dumb
as any clam,
Though he tries to look defiant, like he didn't
care a—continental.

Poor mother, too, has pined away beneath this
reign of terror;
She don't dare ask enough to eat, for fear she'll
make an error.
This awful teacher's judgment hangs above us
like a sword,
And we cuss the wretched day he come to criticise and board.

—Yankee Blade.

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