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ST. HELENS, OREGON, OCT. 15.

THE rush away from the Klondike for beans and bacon is somewhat in the nature of a boom.

WHEN the breadmakers of this country are in need of a "rapid raiser" they can depend on McKinley's protection powder.

GEN. WYLER insists that he will turn over to his successor some pacified spots in Cuba. He must mean the numerous and spacious graveyards.

It is not a new, but is nevertheless a peculiar instance to read of a "free-silver republican." The term favors too much of popocritism to suit us.

THE hobo and the highwayman, with intermediate criminals, are too prominent around Portland at present. Send the militia along with each car to Oregon City.

THE most interesting campaign this year is in Nebraska, where the democrats, the populists, the "free-silver republicans" and Mr. Bryan have formed a coalition against dollar wheat.

SECRETARY WILSON, of the department of agriculture, is confident that the result of this year's experiments with sugar beets will add 300 per cent. to the beet-sugar factories of the country. Such an industry means much for the Pacific coast states.

COMPLAINT has come to us several times from various parts of the county that hounds are being used for deer hunting. This is against the laws of Oregon, an inhuman and unportsmanlike manner of hunting, and the game warden will yet track the guilty parties.

THE value of the wheat, rye and oat crop of Nebraska this year is closely and particularly calculated at \$95,866,500, and that is an advance of \$18,838,500 upon last year. This contradicts in every respect that material in the series of speeches on which the popocrats carried that state last fall.

THE benefit of protection goes first and last to the men who have earned their bread by the sweat of their faces. The suspicious and momentous result is that never before in the history of the world has comfort been enjoyed, education acquired and independence secured by so large a majority of the total population as in the United States of America.

THE statistics of the cotton crop for last year show it to have been 8,767,964 bales. It has been sold for about \$350,000,000, or something more than the total volume of the greenback currency. This is more than five times the value of the annual silver product of the country. What folly it is then for cotton growers to think that their prosperity depends upon "doing something for silver," when all the silver produced in the country would not buy one in five of their cotton bales.

THE streets of Oregon towns have been crowded all this fall with country visitors having the happy faces of people who raise 80 cent wheat and get correspondingly good prices for other farm products. This is the first time in several years that they have felt able to take a holiday. That is to say, they have been having democratic times, but now prosperity has come back again, and they can afford to take a run to the city to see the fair and other attractions. By their visitations other people are made prosperous and happy.

If Professor Coin desires to begin the world again with a new theory he should consider one recently placed before the public. It is that dollar wheat is a twin with republican success. In 1883, under Arthur, the average price of wheat was 91 cents a bushel. During Cleveland's first term the average was 68 cents. When Harrison was president wheat varied from 84 to 93 cents. Cleveland's second election sent it down at once to 63 cents, and it continued to tumble until it reached 49 cents, the lowest price in a century. These are New York quotations, that city being the great shipping point of the United States. In the first months of McKinley's administration dollar wheat has returned. Now here is a theory, with all the figures open to the world, that promises to stand the test. Let Professor Coin resemble his school and try once more to adjust the plastic minds to mathematical truth.

Mr. BRYAN has just sampled the Kansas brand of prosperity. He attended the state fair at Wichita week before last and for his share in the exercises was handed a check for nearly \$2500. He remarked to the committee that he had never before earned so much money in one day and that the amount was more than had been guaranteed. Perhaps the thought had occurred to him that the one day's receipts could be exchanged for 5500 Mexican silver dollars. Why would it not be a good idea for Mr. Bryan to convert his earnings in this way with the expectation of doubling them at a stroke in the year 1900? It is possible that he caught a glimpse of Gen. Prosperity at Wichita in full dress, with golden epaulettes. But it is more likely that Mr. Bryan was looking in another direction, deeply immersed in thought on the calamitous condition of the country.

LABOR is one of the great elements of society—the great substantial interest on which we all stand. Not feudal service, or predial toil, or the irksome drudgery by one race of mankind subjected to another; but labor, intelligent, manly, independent, thinking and acting for itself, earning its own wages, accumulating those wages into capital, educating childhood, maintaining worship, claiming the right of elective franchise, and helping to uphold the great fabric of the state. That is American labor; and all sympathies are with it.

THE New York Herald learns that 26,000 more skilled laborers in the United States are employed now than were last year at this season. That is certainly a very satisfactory indication of a better state of affairs.

THE San Domingo silver dollar is worth 35 cents, and in order to prevent confusion the government has excluded American money. A 100 cent dollar is something the advanced fiat financiers cannot endure.

THE United States imports 1,700,000 tons of sugar and produces only 400,000 tons. This is the one great item in which our farmers and manufacturers are behind the times.

A KANSAS farmer near Wichita is said to have lost a \$300 diamond in his wheat field the other day. Probably he was too busy to go back and look for it.

From Our Exchanges.

Silver and wheat keep together. Yes. They are each worth about a dollar a bushel.

Even Missouri has hit calamity a swipe in the face. The strawberry vines are yielding their second crop of the year.

A populist paper in Kansas has quit publishing the market reports, because the pops construed them as republican campaign ammunition.

Prosperity and business activity began the moment a republican president and a protective congress were elected. Was it mere "luck"?

Free silver was the chief plank of the Ohio platform, but it must have been either dropped out of the platform or else been dressed down from a regular inch plank to quarter-inch stuff.

The calamity howlers should take off their smoked glasses and look around. They will find that the factory smoke in the sky will protect their orbs from the too dazzling beams of the McKinley prosperity.

The records of the auditor in Walla Walla county show that between September 1 and October 18, \$40,989.63 was paid on mortgages. During the same period last year \$7607 was paid on mortgages in the county.

How that India famine is spreading. If the British gold bugs don't check it the populists will go wild. Every commodity is increasing in value. Labor is getting better pay, right here in Kelso and everywhere else in the Union. That famine has made every pop orator out a liar.

Now is the time for the prosperous counties of Oregon to make a long stride toward getting out of debt. Farmers and others in the agricultural counties can afford to pay pretty high taxes next year, for that purpose. All floating debts should be cleared off; bonded debts refunded at lower rates; and everything made snug and trim, with far lighter burdens abroad, in preparation for future storms and calms.

It is an absolute fact that the Western farmer's financial condition is wonderfully improved. During the past three years he practiced such economy that with a slight improvement of wheat prices last fall and fair values for cattle, sheep and hogs, the thrifty farmer gradually reduced his debts. With good prices this fall, he is indeed paying off the mortgage. The fall in the interest rate is as remarkable as the other features of the rising tide.

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School Report.

Following is the report of the Mist public school for the first month, ending October 8th, 1897:

Boys enrolled.....	7
Girls enrolled.....	18
Total enrollment.....	25
Number days taught.....	20
Whole number days attendance.....	349 1/2
Whole number days absence.....	51 1/2
Times tardy.....	2
Those neither absent nor tardy for the month were: Marha, Johanna and Harold Magnuson, Anna Lyons, Ellen and Henry Borquist. L. J. Meserve, Teacher.	

VERNONIA GLEANINGS.

Miss Myrtle Powell passed through this city Saturday.

Uriah Mellinger brought a load of grain to town Saturday.

Wm. Wilson and family returned from Portland Wednesday.

Mr. Clark, of Crooked creek, was visiting the metropolis this week.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hacker is visiting them this week.

Mr. Sitts, of Upper Rock creek, paid Forest Grove a visit this week.

Mr. I. Spencer has purchased a valuable colt from Mr. F. M. Parker.

Carol Keasey went to Houlton last Thursday, accompanied by Miss Gillihan.

Dr. Hall, of Clatskanie, passed through this city Wednesday of last week.

Albert Baker and Ernest Shannahan took a load of grain to Forest Grove last week.

Messrs. Coulter and Wood passed through town last Friday en route for Forest Grove.

Mr. I. Spencer was cleaning wheat with Mr. Shannahan's fanning machine last Friday.

Wm. Hacker returned to his ranch on Rock creek last Wednesday with two loads of provisions.

Mr. Pongate, of Buxton, came into the valley last week and purchased several head of milk cows.

Lon Adams took a load of poultry to Buxton Tuesday returning Wednesday with a load of ash and doors for his new house.

Dr. C. H. Newth has purchased a trotter from Mr. Case and Mr. Lavender will take the animal out to the doctor at Philomath.

SCAPPOOSE NEWS.

Miss Edna Tompkins has been quite ill the past week.

J. A. Holaday made a business trip to Lewis river this week.

A masquerade ball is announced for Friday evening, the 15th.

D. W. Price moved his family to Portland this week for the winter.

Farm work is being pushed during the continuance of fair weather.

Mr. W. H. Brown, teacher in district No. 1, is interesting our young people in a night school for the winter.

P. B. Stephens is doing a large job of land clearing on Honeyman's farm, and reports good progress in the work.

H. West shipped to the Portland market on Monday 7300 pounds of dried prunes, the same being the first crop from his orchard.

Surveyor Meserve was in our midst Tuesday locating a new county road from Joy's place to the settlement on the hills west of there.

Large numbers of Washington county people have been camping on Lower Scappoose creek catching fall salmon and catfish.

The genius hobo is again abroad in the land. He is evidently fleeing from the crop of prosperity that has overtaken him somewhere.

Hand-shaved shingles are again coming into the market. The increase in price has encouraged the Dixie shingle makers to go to work.

School district No. 9 has received from Congressman Ellis a special map of the United States, and also a set of reports of Commissioner Harris for 1896.

The Western Union linemen passed through here this week. They are putting in a copper wire between Portland and Tacoma. The extra wire is, presumably, to be used by Portland and Tacoma in comparing bank clearances.

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Deaths Recorded.

B. DeWid to Henry Kraus, 8 1/2 of 8 1/2 of sec 19, and 3/4 of sec 20, tp 7 n, r 4 west; \$300.

G. D. Gilson and wife to C. H. Piggott, right-of-way.

George Kelley and wife to C. H. Piggott, right-of-way.

John Lamberson and wife to G. A. Brodie, right-of-way.

C. H. Piggott to G. A. Brodie, right-of-way lease.

Elizabeth Perry to G. A. Brodie, 7 acres in Perry's donation claim; \$1.

N. A. Perry and wife to G. A. Brodie, 160 acres in Perry donation land claim, bond for deed; \$2500.

Hannah Tyszkiewicz to G. A. Brodie, bond.

Circuit Court.

The regular October term of circuit court convened in this city Tuesday forenoon, and all the jurymen summoned answered to the roll call save one. The grand jury, consisting of seven members, was drawn, charged and sent to their room, with Mr. J. K. Hakesley as bailiff. Mr. T. C. Watts was appointed bailiff for the trial jury. At about 2:30 Tuesday afternoon the trial jury was excused until 9 o'clock Wednesday morning, when they were again excused until Thursday morning.

The grand jury, Thursday forenoon, returned two true bills against Joel Bate.

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SKULL TRIPHINED—At the state insane asylum yesterday Drs. W. T. Williamson and L. F. Griffith, assisted by Dr. Carl, of Oregon City, performed an operation in the shape of trephining the frontal bone of Robert Bettie, the expectation being that the reason of the man will be restored, says the Salem Statesman. Mr. Bettie was sent to the asylum a few weeks ago from Clackamas county. His brain trouble was caused by a hurt received on his head some time ago by the explosion of a shotgun in his hands several years ago, and the physicians were of the opinion that his insanity was caused by an abnormal growth on the inside of his skull, making an unnatural pressure on the brain. The operation was quite successful.

BORN.
DILLARD.—In this city, Thursday, Oct. 15, 1897, to Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Dillard, a son.

WEST.—To the wife of Mr. Bert West, on October 8th, 1897, a son, weight 12 pounds.

City Treasurer's Notice.
St. Helens, Or., October 7, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that all unpaid and outstanding city warrants of the City of St. Helens, Oregon, presented and endorsed "Not Paid for Want of Funds," prior to August 10, 1897, will be paid upon presentation. Interest will not be allowed from this date—August 7, 1897.

W. B. DILLARD,
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Used His Hop House.—The Eugene Guard says: "Steven Smeed, of Waterville, after finishing his hop crop utilized his hop house in drying prunes and from the samples shown he has done as good work as the average fruit dryer, constructed specially for that purpose. In order to use the hop house for drying fruit no change was made except to change the cloth on the top hop floor. At first a thin coating of the fruit was laid on the top floor, but after a few hours it was gathered together about three inches in thickness. It took him about ten hours longer to dry a flooring than in a regular evaporator. He paid 60 cents per 100 pounds for the green Italian prunes, and purchased all offered at that price. He has about 5000 pounds of the dried article produced thusly."

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