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TO ADVERTISERS.

Independence is located at the head of navigation (the west of the year) on the Williams river, and on the main line of the Oregon & California Railroad.

Salem will gravel her streets. WHAT about the extension of the motor line?

OUR correspondents are on the taps for their respective principles. Let us hear what the Alliance has to say.

WITHOUT any political bias in the matter, all must agree, that Benjamin Harrison has made a good, conservative president.

THE United States navy isn't much, to be sure. But when we consider that of 7,946 enlisted men, only 3,688 are Americans either by birth or naturalization, one begins to think our navy amounts to less even than we thought it did.

It takes a soap bubble 1-300 part of a second to burst. But as now practical, the science of photography is so nearly perfect as to catch even this extremely short period of time, and photographs showing a soap bubble in the act of bursting are announced.

THERE is hope for us yet, for on March 7, 1893, the Bell telephone patent will expire, and then telephone connections will be common to every hamlet in the land, on account of their cheapness. It would pay Independence, however, to be connected with the Salem circuit, even at the present high rate of service.

THE Salem Statesman is too good a paper to indulge in its foolish reflections on the Portland exposition and its management. It is a general verdict that the exposition this year is a greater success than ever before, and it illy becomes the Statesman to indulge in a splenetic tirade against it, savoring strongly of being actuated by personal motives.—Wasco Sun.

THE subject of the civil war war inadvertently introduced in a mixed company of Northern and Southern gentlemen the other day and all unintentionally the discussion became warm. "Well, we licked you rebs, anyhow," said one of the Northerners. "Yes," replied the Southerner, blandly, "you did; but from the number of applicants for pensions, I should judge that you crippled every blamed one of you."—New York Sun.

WHILE the WEST SIDE is distinctively independent, yet it has positive convictions upon subjects of public policy. Our readers are not dummies, but intelligent and progressive. We shall, no doubt express views not entertained by all who may read our writings, but we shall always "divide time and space" with those who may differ from us. We certainly shall not run a paper only fit for the morgue, nor one over whose every issue, it will be necessary to hold a coroner's inquest. We intend to be fair but shall not wear graveclothes.

As a matter of fact, the people of Oregon, especially those in the first congressional district, need the services of Hon. Binger Hermann, in the congress of the United States. It was an error upon his part, to make any pledges as to his retirement from the services of the people, so long as they desired those services. It is not certain that he made those pledges, and whether he did or not, he is in the hands of the people. Mr. Harry Miller, of Josephine county, declares himself a candidate against Mr. Hermann, on the Republican ticket. His strikers, a little farther north, in Douglas, will avail but little. When the day comes for nomination, the cobwebs will all disappear and Mr. Hermann will be nominated by acclamation, as usual.

REFERRING to a recent strike on the part of men in New York City recently, the Oregonian remarks that "it is charged, with much accompanying proof, that pure selfishness on the part of the men instituted the strike. They believe, and with some reason, that if employers are compelled to pay full wages to women, they will prefer to hire men instead of women." That this is not true at least so far as one industry—that of printing—is concerned, the Oregonian need go no further than its own composing room to demonstrate, for there it will find both men and women working side by side and receiving exactly the same pay. Really it is hard to believe, with the Oregonian, that American workmen are such depraved and selfish wretches; indeed, to most people the example furnished by the Oregonian's composing room disproves such an assertion.

McKINLEY AND HERMANN.

Perhaps no contest of a political nature has occurred since the memorable contest between Lincoln and Douglas that has attracted so much attention as the one going on now in Ohio between McKinley and Campbell. Such battles of words, especially when conducted by such representative men, are a source of much information, and are great educators of the masses.

It is hardly possible to select two more able champions to represent the issues upon which the two political parties differ, than the gentlemen referred to; and the outcome will be watched with much solicitude, not only by every American citizen, but by foreign nations as well.

Ohio being a rather doubtful state politically, and at present presided over by a Democratic governor, it would seem that after a most thorough canvass of some months, that should McKinley be elected governor, it would presage a national Republican victory in 1892. Certain it is that each succeeding month only proves the Republican doctrine, or theory of protection to be the correct one, and the McKinley bill, instead of being an "incubus" as some Democratic papers were wont to call it when first passed, is growing in favor with the people, and by the time of our next national contest it will have won its way among the masses to such an extent, that I believe many of its bitterest enemies will admit its justice and beneficial effects.

But, Mr. Editor, as important as these questions are, I desire to add that in my opinion neither of them are of as much importance just at this time to us of Oregon as the question of who shall represent Oregon from this district next year. Quite a number of papers throughout the district I see are discussing the possibilities and probabilities of various candidates, but so far, I have not observed a single objection urged against our present able and indefatigable member Hon. Binger Hermann, consequently I am led to believe that whatever of words (they have no argument) that have been urged in favor of the nomination of a new man by the Republican papers, is either born in the mind of some would-be candidate, or instigated by some mercenary editor who is gifted only as a place hunter.

I believe a close scrutiny of the records would bear out the assertion that Mr. Hermann has accomplished more for his state, time of service considered, than any other congressman has for his district, let alone a whole state. It is to be hoped that the Republicans will bear in mind that this, the first district is not so overwhelmingly Republican as the state is when the convention is called together, and that it is not possible to name a new man that will command the respect and attention that Mr. Hermann does, and so sure as some new and untried man is nominated the Democrats will name some one of their best and ablest men and the result is to say the least, doubtful. Should Mr. Hermann decline the nomination it would most certainly appear cheeky for a Southern Oregon man to claim the honor.

After all, I have full faith in the wisdom and intelligence of the next Republican convention of this district, and believe that the delegates to that convention will make the proper nomination, unaided by any self sacrificing and self-constituted candidates. Such being the case, and the name of Hon. Binger Herman flying at the mast-head he will be re-elected by such an overwhelming majority that even his opponent will feel like offering a motion to make his election unanimous.

REPUBLICAN. THAT DAKOTA BLIZZARD. The West Side formerly published independent, politically, bears now the complexion of J. R. N. Bell Democratic-Farmers' Alliance, and reminds one of a Dakota blizzard, or some other tired feeling.—Pulk County Observer.

Indeed, to be a Democrat, is surely not a crime, if so, our congress at present is intensely criminal, and to have the complexion of a Farmers' Alliance, is not an uncomely sight; yet we have no doubt but what Messrs. Doughty and Snyder, in their loneliness, have a "tired feeling," as they look over the wreck that terrible "Dakota blizzard" made last fall, when it swept over the country, and filled the halls of congress to overflowing with Democrats and Alliance men. Yes, we do not wonder at your "tired feeling," gentlemen, as you peruse the columns of the West Side, and see the cloud, about "the size of a man's hand," which contains another "blizzard," that will change your present "complexion," to one of a more "crimson hue."

The decision of Judge Boise, that the railroad companies cannot remove the cases brought against them by the railroad commissioners, is one that will meet with the hearty approval of the people as it deserves to. The state courts are quite competent to decide these cases.—The Argonaut.

Our governor is making headway. He held in his message substantially what Judge Boise holds in reference to the competency of our state courts, or rather the incompetency and obtrusion of the federal courts to interfere with our little state affairs. The supreme court of the United States has decided this point in harmony with the governor's views, the supreme court of Oregon decided the wagon road appropriations as unconstitutional, and that was the view the governor held; and so, it begins to look as if Governor Penney understood himself, in some things at least.

ONE cannot help admiring, even if he cannot at all times give intellectual assent, to the breadth and versatility of the Oregonian editorial staff. But Oregon's big daily has one particular editor whose fine Italian hand and clean-cut classical English always attracts attention whatsoever the subject discussed. The Elysian fields of science, the intricate labyrinth of historical and religious criticism, the enticing but everescent value of politics, the charming domain of classical literature are all spread out in panoramic view before this brilliant writer's mental vision. He wields a pen of rare force and brilliancy, and his editorial ebullitions add strength, dignity and beauty to Portland's great daily.

On the first page of this issue will be seen an article on "Don't plow too much" by Walo F. Brown which to our mind is timely and true. Every farmer ought to read and heed it.

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