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THERE are now 377 prisoners in the state penitentiary, at Salem.

THE new *Oregonian* press can turn out 24,000 papers in one hour. This is one of the finest presses in the world.

HON. THOMAS TONGUE, of Hillsborough, was elected president of the Republican clubs of Oregon, *vice* J. L. Ayer, the busted politician.

The New Year's edition of the Independence WEST SIDE is a fine production. Bro. Bell, you have covered yourself with glory.—*Scio Weekly Press.*

A CITY publication says that an expert diamond thief could succeed in any business. Don't believe it. He could never publish a Republican paper in the morning and a Democratic sheet at sundown.—*Portland Welcome.* This is a severe dig for the *Oregonian.*

OF forty-eight Democrats in the New Jersey legislature, thirty-one are for Cleveland, and only nine for Hill, six of the others being for their governor, Leon Abbett. Among the Republicans, Blaine is slightly in the lead of Harrison, with several non-committals.

THE *Oregonian's* annual review was a superb number, and its new, clear print, upon its new presses, in its new, beautiful building, with its new type, taken together, should make all the newspapers of Oregon, and her citizens as well, feel proud of this journalistic enterprise.

ZEPHIN JOB, the Corvallis millionaire, bought the O. P. Railroad last week. Consideration, $1,000,000. Mr. Job is an old friend of ours, and we hope that he will cast a glance of pity upon poor newspaper men. The old management never was found wanting in extending courtesies to the press.

THE largest land owner in the world is Baron Hirsch. He recently purchased 17,285,760 acres of land in the Argentine Republic. The price paid was not quite eight cents per acre. He will use it for the colonization of his race. Thousands of Russian Jews are already settling upon it.

REPUBLICANS in the Ohio legislature are having a hot time among themselves over charges of bribery brought by Foraker men against Sherman men, in the late senitorial election. It looks like some of the truth about the bribery business might be brought to light, though persistent efforts are made to prevent it.

THE Hill tidal wave is sweeping everything before it, and if this goes on, Grover Cleveland will soon be as tho' he was not and never had been. Yet Cleveland is a statesman compared to Hill.—*Capital Journal.*

Sure. Grover Cleveland as a statesman is the peer of any man of either party in this country who is "on deck" or "at the bat."

THE Republicanism of the *Salem Statesman* cannot be impeached. It says of the state central committee chairman: Jim Lotan says the outlook for harmony in the Republican ranks is good. If such ignoramuses and asses as Jim were deposed from power in the party, the outlook would be more than bright—it would be assured.

The holiday number of the WEST SIDE was a little late in reaching this office, but came along all right this week. It is a magnificent edition, and shows the advantages of Independence, and Polk county, in a creditable manner. The illustrations are excellent, and are a good indication of the enterprise of both the publishers and the people of Independence.—*Benton Leader.*

THE *American Economist* laboriously attempts to prove that the price of steel railroad rails is lower in the United States than it is in England. Then it goes on to prove that high protection means high wages. What we have been unable to demonstrate to our own satisfaction by any system of mathematics known to us, is, How is it possible for an employer to sell an article equally as good as that offered by a competitor, at a lower price than the latter, and at the same time (owing to the workings of the tariff, we are told!) pay higher wages than his competitor? It is very plain that the only way one employer can pay higher wages than another is for the one paying the higher wages to get more for his products. However, this is like all the rest of the claims of "protection" organs. A sieve will hold water much longer and better than the average protection argument.

HARRY MILLER'S "BOOM."

H. B. Miller is laying his plans deep for the congressional nomination to succeed Congressman Binger Hermann. The latest feature of his campaign occurred recently at his own town, Grants Pass, when he asked Jerry Nunan, editor and proprietor of the *Courier*, the only paper in Josephine county, to support him through his fight for the office. Although Mr. Miller and the firms which he owns in Grants Pass patronize the *Courier*, the owner of that paper (which is independent in politics) has some conscience, and told Mr. Miller he would n't do it. Mr. Miller has now advanced the money whereby the Oakland, Douglas county, *Observer*, which suspended publication recently, is to be moved to Grants Pass and act as Harry Miller's county organ. Newspapers are a power in influencing the public mind, but the difference between an organ and a newspaper is very great. An organ has no weight with the convictions of the people. People are only convinced by writers who they know to express the honest sentiments of their minds, and are independent of selfish, scheming politicians or other plundering cliques.

NEVER LAUGH TOO SOON.

On January 8th, 1892, the Democrats of Oregon met in Portland to celebrate Jackson's day and to transact other business relative to the coming campaign. When in convention assembled, the Portland youngsters concluded to run the whole machine, and started to organize according to prearranged plans. The country Democracy, however, concluded otherwise, and then great contention arose, the like of which, up to that time, had never been equaled in the political history of Oregon. The Republican papers throughout the state and beyond, were in high glee, and had much kindly advice to give in reference to dignity, and how to make peace and harmony prevail. The fact is, our Republican brethren laughed until their sides were sore, and the Democrats looked downcast and ashamed. Just twenty days thereafter the Republican representatives from all over the state met in the same city, filled with a self-important air, born of an expectation of being able to show the world in general and the state of Oregon in particular, how men of wisdom, of sobriety and of good habits, could meet and discuss the great and momentous issues of the day with a magnanimity and an equanimity peculiar only to patriots and statesmen. In proof of the above, read that "advance report" sent out by one J. L. Ayer, president of the Republican clubs of Oregon. So certain were the Portland bosses of the Republican party that machine politics would continue to work in Oregon now as in the past, that this same Ayer prepared an "advance report" of this entire meeting, including the organization and the "great and deafening applause" with which he was received as he took the chair and called the meeting to order, and containing his own wonderful speech abusing the Democrats of all ages, and also the speeches of many prominent Republicans of the state, and his triumphant election to the presidency of the clubs of the state of Oregon, the report making in all, the *Oregonian* says, about seven columns nonpareil of its own paper. This highly-colored report was sent throughout the state to Republican papers to be printed on that day, or so much as the various editors would give space. The conclusion of the report showed a wonderful harmony of sentiment, unexampled statesmanship, patriotism up to the boiling point Fahrenheit, 212 degrees, and ready to meet the common enemies, the Chilians and the Democrats, and then the adjournment, with the feeling of having done a noble work, and sure of Oregon in 1892. Boasting superiority is never victorious. The clubs did meet in Portland on January 28th, *Anno Domini* 1892, and Mr. Ayer did call them to order, but—no thundering applause; the country Republicans had discovered the scheme, and had found an "advance report," and Ayer and his scheming compeers were attacked, and such a political meeting never has occurred in Oregon to the present day. It was charged that the Democrats were full of champagne, and not being used to it they lost their heads at their convention. Well, if Republicans, duly sober, present such a spectacle as was seen and heard in Portland on January 28th, then, we would inquire, what would they not have done had they been to a five-dollar champagne banquet? The country Democrats deserve praise, and they will look after the interests of Oregon in the future, and the bosses of neither party will reside in Portland. Bossism is dead, and happy the day when the last one died—J. L. Ayer, "late of New York," or some other seaport. The *Oregonian* throws intense light upon the schemes exposed, and other Portland papers flay these "statesmen" and "peace and harmony" fellows without mercy. We append only two excerpts:

MOST TURBULENT GATHERING.

Taken all in all it was probably the noisiest, most bitter and vindictive meeting that ever assembled in the state of Oregon. The much-talked-of Democratic convention was not a marker to it in any way. It was compared by the Republicans themselves to a meeting of high-binders, or a lot of caged animals, and was so turbulent that a really vivid word picture can hardly be given.—*Telegram.*

Thus ended one of the noisiest mob conventions ever held in the state, a convention which will never have an equal in lack of decorum and self-respect. A gathering of a few more such Republican mobs in public assembly, and Oregon will go Democratic beyond a doubt.—*Dispatch.*

He that laughs last, laughs best.

A GREAT SCHOLAR GONE.

We have only space this week to give a brief outline of the funeral services of President Arnold, but will give in the future a more extended outline of his life and character. We take the following from the *Corvallis Times*:

ARNOLD.—In this city, Friday, January 29, 1892, of pneumonia, Prof. B. L. Arnold, aged 52 years and 3 months.

The funeral services of President Arnold were held at the college chapel on Monday at 2 o'clock p. m., conducted by Rev. J. R. N. Bell, of Independence, assisted by Rev. Dr. Plummer, of the Episcopal church in this city. The entire services were under the management of Corvallis Lodge, No. 14, A. F. & A. M., of which the deceased was a member, and of which Mr. Z. H. Davis is Worshipful Master.

Business was suspended and the city was still, while hundreds hastened to pay their last tribute to the memory of an honored citizen, an accomplished scholar, a cultured gentleman, a true and noble man. The Masonic fraternity, in large numbers, were in attendance, and also many of the A. O. U. W., to which order President Arnold also belonged. At the chapel the services were simple and brief, although very solemn and impressive. A few tender words of introduction by Mr. Bell, and then a song was sung by the students. After this the service of the Episcopal church was read by Dr. Plummer, followed by an address by him, referring to the grand and noble life of the departed. Another song was sung, a few more words were spoken by Mr. Bell, then the sorrowing friends took the last look at the face of the dead president, and the long procession of Masons, students, and citizens accompanied, the bereaved family to the Masonic cemetery. Here the solemn and deeply-impressive burial service of the Masons was read by the Master, Mr. Davis. The casket was lowered to its final resting place, the grave filled with earth, and then embosomed in fragrant and beautiful flowers, and all was over.

Several prominent persons from abroad were present, among whom we noticed President Johnson, of the State University, President Condit, of the Albany College, State Supt. McElroy, and others from Independence and adjoining towns. It was a sad event for the college and the city. Not only a great but a good man has fallen from the ranks of the living. At a later date perhaps, we can give some account of President Arnold's useful life. The deeply-afflicted family have the sympathy of the entire community.

THE *Newport Times* gets on its ear about our statement a few weeks since, concerning the Democratic newspapers of the nation being in the advance of the republican papers. Now the Roseburg *Plaindealer* and other papers admit our statements, and the *Plaindealer*, a strong Republican journal, accounts for the fact by saying that "the Republicans read the democratic papers instead of the republican papers, and thus neglect their own journals." Why do Republicans read democratic papers in preference to their own papers? The editor of the *Times* knows, and, what is worse, feels, the reason why: the Republicans are an intelligent class of citizens, and they know a good thing when they see it.

BELOW we give the average rate of the several laws enacted by the United States since the organization of the government. It will be seen that our tariffs have never been extremely low, the lowest amount being over a third of the present rate:

	Per cent.
From 1791 to 1812	19.58
From 1812 to 1817	32.73
From 1817 to 1825	25.52
From 1825 to 1829	47.17
From 1829 to 1832	47.81
From 1832 to 1834	28.99
From 1834 to 1843	19.25
From 1843 to 1847	26.92
From 1847 to 1858	23.20
From 1858 to 1862	15.66
From 1862 to 1884	34.16
From 1884 to 1890	45.50
From 1890 to —	about 60.00

B. F. DOWELL has at last, thank indulgent heaven! obtained a judgment of $200 against the government for that mule he lost thirty years ago. Upon Dowell's monument let the fact that he was a hero be inscribed in letters of gold. Over the bones of a mule did the sturdy man fight the United States thirty long years! He took up the kick where the mule laid it down in 1862, and never ceased to kick until the greatest government unhung yielded to his opposition!—*Linkville Star.*

WHEN a protectionist asserts that the tariff does not raise the price of things, ask him how it happens that when the clause in the McKinley bill putting sugar on the free list went into effect, the price of that commodity fell more than one third.

THE Independence WEST SIDE is "ferninst" Veatch for congress. The whirling of politics may cause our gifted neighbor to eat his words. Veatch may not be very popular with politicians, but he stands high with the masses.—*Junction City Times.*

We are not in the habit of eating our words; neither do we oppose measures for every other part of the state except our own, when they are of a similar kind, as Mr. Veatch did in the last legislature, of which he was unfortunately a member.

THE New York *World* has polled the New Jersey legislature on presidential preference and here is what it says: The result of the *World's* canvass of the New Jersey legislature for the preference of the members will be a surprise to many on the Democratic side at least. It was thought by politicians that Gov. Hill was the favoriteof the Democrats in "Jersey," but the poll shows that Mr. Cleveland leads all the others as decidedly as Senator Hill led in the canvass of the legislature at Albany. Cleveland is popular with the masses, a great leader, and a great statesman.

SAYS the *Oregonian:* Not all the mossbacks are in Oregon. Some have settled in Tekoa, Wash. The citizens of that town refused to contribute towards the small fund of $40 which was attempted to raise for the building of a sidewalk to the public-school building, the mud having become so bad that one of the best teachers had resigned rather than walk through it, and the health of the scholars was endangered by getting wet feet in traveling the road. This is like many old-time farmers, who must have good dry barns for their stock, but any kind of a ramshackle building would do for a schoolhouse.

THE *Newport Times* says in reply to our fifth-rib cut upon protection, that it is "curious, is 'nt it, that when America has found in reasonable protection an easy road to travel, she does not turn from it to enter England's path, known to be so rough and hard to travel." Why did n't you say high protection, the true Republican ideal? Curious, is n't it, that in order to get into a "smooth and easy road," the *Times* is compelled to take the Democratic prescription of "reasonable protection," or James G. Blaine's free trade and thoroughly Democratic doctrine of reciprocity, and swallow the compound, even if Bro. Davis, of the *Times*, does make a wry face about it when administered by Democrats?

THE state of Oregon seems to be getting into a pretty fix. The legislature passes laws, and county courts ignore them. By the decree of a federal court, mortgages are assessed at fifty cents on the dollar, and yet Portland, *alias* Multnomah county, concludes to do just about as she pleases in all things except to run Democratic meetings. We shall wait for the next drop. Think of Portland's supreme bench of lawyers.

WE are complimented this week in receiving a beautiful souvenir of Pomona, California, from E. Northrup, showing the great fruit industry of the place, and in also receiving from Rev. A. F. Lott, of Independence, Oregon, a copy of a mammoth and nicely illustrated paper published there. Among its illustrations is a cut of the Presbyterian church of which Rev. Lott is pastor. The report of the society shows it to be in a flourishing condition.—*Ingham County News, Mason, Mich.*

As another argument against the croakers who say American industries are unable to take care of themselves, we note with pleasure that the London *Times* is about to abandon the use of the Walter printing press and will hereafter use the presses manufactured by R. Hoe & Co., New York. The reason is because the American presses are the best. High-tariff Republican papers iterate and reiterate the slander that American labor can not compete with English labor, notwithstanding the fact that we are doing it in spite of the higher prices it is necessary to charge for American productions because of the tariff.

JOHN SHERMAN, in an interview, said: "I am much gratified at my re-election. No other man has been given six terms in the senate from Ohio, and I don't think any man will be so greatly honored again. If I live to complete the term for which I was elected yesterday, I will retire from public life." Speaking of the presidential outlook, Senator Sherman said he did not think Blaine should accept the Republican nomination on account of his poor health, but that all indications pointed to tender it to him. The senator added that Harrison had made so many enemies in Ohio that he would have hard work to carry the state if renominated.

IT PAYS

To be cautious in the choice of medicines. Many are injured by trying experiments with compounds purporting to be blood-purifiers, the principal recommendation of which would seem to be their "cheapness." Being made up of worthless, though not always harmless, ingredients, they may well be "cheap;" but, in the end, they are dear. The most reliable medicines are costly, and can be retailed at moderate prices, only when the manufacturing chemist handles the raw materials in large quantities. It is economy, therefore,

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