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FREE SILVER.

The democratic party has made its fight on free trade and the battle is won by the protectionists. It is now said that the next move of that party will be the passage in the house and senate of a free coinage bill. It is supposed that Cleveland will stand true to his convictions and veto it. What will be the result? The republican party will be forced to stand for honest money and there will begin a campaign of education on the silver question such as has just resulted in a republican victory for that of protection. In 1893 the great issue will be "honest money" or "free coinage of silver." The safe side of the question will be given the republicans to defend, but the side that catches the masses and appeals to the passions of such men as Governor Penneyer, will be the side of free coinage. There are republicans who believe that the government can carry all the silver of the world at 16 to 1 and there are some like Senator Mitchell, who believe we can limit the free coinage to our American silver and carry it all. The policy of the republican party has always been to keep a good reserve (or surplus) on hand, consequently limited inflation either with paper or silver has been possible, but our democratic friends have already placed bonds on the market and will soon place another issue, and such action tends to weaken our present credit instead of strengthening a credit which would be necessary in maintaining even the silver of the United States at par. If the present congress should pass such a bill as mentioned, and Cleveland should not veto it, we would then have a test of free coinage, which would satisfy the people, and it might be that Cleveland, not now caring what becomes of his party would submit and not veto it. We are not going to see confidence return until the last of the democratic congress is adjourned. There is too much danger of adverse legislation from a party that cares more for votes than for the ultimate good of the people.

President Cleveland will present in his message to congress a new system of finance for the country, which is copied after the banking system of Canada, but is known in the United States as the Baltimore plan. It will permit banks to issue notes to 50 per cent of their capital and to make these a lien on all their assets and upon the personal property of stockholders to an amount equal to their holdings besides. Further security is to be provided by a guarantee deposit in the United States treasury to the amount of 5 per cent of the circulation. When great demand exists for additional circulation it may be issued to the extent of 25 per cent of the capital, but a heavy tax will be placed on it to insure its retirement as soon as the crisis shall have passed. Power will also be given the government to increase the tax on solvent banks to redeem the notes of those that fail. Grover Cleveland has proven himself to be a financier of no mean ability and level-headed on the money question and we have confidence in this recommendation of his embodying ideas which will be of great benefit to the country. The details of the plan, as they will appear in his message, will be looked for with great interest.

There is room for the reformer to get in his work on the phonograph. This wonderful machine can be made to scatter evil as well as good. There are cylinders placed in these machines that produce as vulgar songs and as filthy anecdotes as can be imagined. Obscene books are not allowed to be published or sold, but the phonograph can do as much harm to our young men in listening to its vulgar songs as any book sold.

China is suing for peace with Japan. It is willing to give up Corea, and is asking more of the United States than a war indemnity of \$150,000,000. The United States is asked to mediate.

From the latest official returns the next house of representatives will contain 246 republicans, 102 democrats and 6 populists.

CORRESPONDENCE.

BUENA VISTA.

A "Mum" party given by Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Hall at their home on Friday evening in honor of their niece, Miss Carrie Hall, proved to be the event of the season. The rooms were beautifully decorated with chrysanthemums and lighted up with Chinese lanterns. Music, games and singing, were enjoyed until a late hour, when each guest received a folded slip of paper on which was written half of some familiar proverb. The gentlemen were instructed to find their partners by finding the other half of the proverb contained on his folded slip. In due time and after much merriment the halves were matched and all sat down to an excellent supper, which spoke well for the hostess, and by each plate was a bouquet of chrysanthemums tied with white ribbon. Another unique feature was a fortune-telling room. Those who were anxious to know their future plucked a petal and found thereon inscribed their fate. Those who had the pleasure of being in attendance were: Mr. and Mrs. James Walker, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. George McLaughlin, Messrs. J. R. Bedford, M. Brown, Sam Baldwin, J. W. Storms, Bert Snyder, Miss Emma Hughes, Mary Shives, Laura Whiteman, Carrie Hall, Dorelle Shives, Reta Campbell, Lottie Herbert, and little Edna and Althea Hall.

Mr. Ernest Bryant, of Falls City, will lecture in the M. E. church next Saturday evening.

Several of our citizens attended the football game at Monmouth last Saturday.

Miss Emma K. Hughes was visiting in Independence last Tuesday.

Four young couples brave and fair went out to ride in the autumn air. The rig broke down, the mud was thin, and their only chance was to hoot it in.

Less Powell, one of Buena's young men, was united in marriage to Miss Althea Herbert at Junction City last week. They will make this their future home.

Wm. Wells and family, of Marion county, moved over to our city some days ago to be out of the high water this winter.

Monroe Krutz and Ed Prather sold A. J. Richardson last week about 100 boxes of apples at 40 cents per box.

Rev. M. J. Balyntine preached an able sermon at the Evangelical church to a large crowd Sunday.

Mr. E. H. Jeter and son Willie, of Gaston, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Williams.

A crowd of young folks from this place went to Suver last Sunday night to attend church.

Mr. Lovie Jones and Miss Mary Shives came up from Salem last week to visit their parents.

Mrs. J. D. King left last Friday for Portland, where she will remain for some time.

Professor Ginn, of Monmouth, made us a short visit a few days of last week.

Miss Ella Longacre, of McMinnville, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Longacre.

Mr. McVale, of Portland, an old friend of Dr. Boynton, is visiting here.

J. A. Veness and wife of your city, were visiting in this burg last week.

Grandma Scott, of this place, is visiting friends at Albany this week.

J. W. Simpson, of Corvallis, was down here on business this week.

Mrs. J. W. Bush, of near Kings Valley, visited here last week.

A. J. Richardson made a business trip to Salem Thursday.

J. A. McClain and wife made a trip to Dallas last Thursday.

DALLAS.

During hop picking several young fellows came to Dallas to pick hops for Kirkpatrick, and two of them, Will and Joe Vint, stayed here, and tried to get up a "jag cure" in which they failed, but remained here expecting money from their father in England, with which to pay their board bill at Hotel Holman. The other day during the short absence of Grover Bassett and Clerk Dunn, Joe went to the till and took \$81.50 and buried it out north of town. When accused of the theft, the boys went and got the money and gave it up, and the thing was kept quiet until Monday, when Sheriff Plummer heard of it and arrested them. They were examined Tuesday morning, Will pleading not guilty and Joe waived examination. His bonds were fixed at \$300 and not being able to furnish them, was sent to jail to appear before the grand jury in December term of court.

Last Sunday morning about 2:30 o'clock, there was an attempted burglary on the Chinese wash house. The burglar broke in at the front door and one of the Chinamen hearing him, came out to see what was wanted. The burglar struck at the Chinaman trying to dodge the blow, was struck on the shoulder, causing a severe bruise. The Chinaman then raised a general alarm and the burglar ran off. There is no clue as to who the burglar is, but it is supposed that several of the "bums" who were laying around town last week and have suddenly disappeared, know something of the crime.

The drama "Shamrock and the Rose" which was played at the city hall last Friday evening, was well attended and highly enjoyed by all who were present. The young who took part, ably sustained their characters. They will go to Monmouth next Saturday evening.

C. A. Bowker, who was once stationed here as minister of the Baptist church, and afterwards got into trouble by assisting in a scheme that by it a young woman's life was taken, has secured a new trial.

Ed Paul, while sawing wood with a steam wood saw one day last week, was struck by it, three teeth of the saw burying themselves in the flesh to the bone of the leg.

John Jordan, is now serving a twenty-five days imprisonment in the coun-

ty jail for petty larceny. Mr. Plummer is keeping quite a hotel now; having five lodgers.

Last Wednesday Miss Anna McCaugh celebrated her 18th birthday by giving a party in the evening which was enjoyed by 24 present.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will give a chrysanthemum fair in the city hall, Friday and Saturday evening.

Several of the Dallas boys attended the football game last Saturday between the Normal boys and Corvallis. Mr. A. M. Hurley, mayor of Independence, was in our city on business last Friday.

MONMOUTH.

The O. A. C. boys came down from Corvallis Saturday and wrestled the Normal to the tune of 32 to 6 in the football game. The Corvallis team was the heavier, besides having a better knowledge of the game. The "worms" were entirely free from all unnecessary roughness and the best of feeling prevailed during the game. Fall-back Terrell of Corvallis, was injured so that a substitute was used during the remainder of the game. The "farmers" are at home on the gridiron field. In the evening the Agricultural boys were tendered a pleasant reception in the Normal chapel, which was heartily enjoyed by all.

Friday closes the first term's work in the Normal school. It has been of great interest to both teachers and pupils, and thorough work has been accomplished. A programme will be given on Friday evening, including a debate on the "Silver Question." All those wishing to be thoroughly informed on this topic should be present.

Hon. D. P. Thompson delivered a lecture in the Normal chapel Thursday evening on "Turkey and the Turks." The lecture was highly spoken of by those in attendance. A very appropriate subject before Thanksgiving.

The Chrysanthemum Fair at Independence was well attended by the ladies of Monmouth. Miss Maggie Butler, of this city, received the prize on the finest white and yellow chrysanthemums.

Professor J. M. Powell and family were in the city Saturday and Sunday making their old friends a visit. They returned Sunday evening to the State Reform school, where the Professor is teaching.

The Rebecca lodge here gave a very enjoyable entertainment and social last Wednesday evening. Everyone was immensely pleased with the programme and refreshments.

The seniors who take part in chapel exercises this (Friday) morning are Misses Clark and Bushnell. A solo will be rendered by Miss Tillie Best of the Junior class.

Professor Lloyd, of Forest Grove, was umpire in the football game Saturday, and his decisions were accepted by both teams as given without partiality.

The farmers about town have about finished their fall sowing. Under several supervisors the old Murphy place is going through a course of cultivation.

Miss Grace Hargrove was in Dallas last week taking the county examination. She succeeded in getting a second grade certificate.

A military company has been formed in the Normal under the supervision of Professor McLaughlin. They are doing good work.

Miss Laura Collins, of Suver, was the guest of her cousins, the Misses Mary and Edna Collins, last Friday and Saturday.

An addition is being built to the Christian church here which will make the seating capacity considerably larger.

Miss Ella Fisher, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Beckley, in Southern Oregon, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. McVale are in town assisting our photographer, C. C. Lewis, in the gallery for a few weeks.

Howard Rowland, of Eugene, formerly of this place, has been appointed city reporter of the Eugene Guard.

Mr. Flynn, who has been running a peddler's wagon in this vicinity, will open a racket store on Main street.

Mrs. Jas. Curry, of Nashville, Lincoln county, spent a few days in the city with friends this week.

G. O. Graves has purchased the interest of J. L. Dunn in the Mercantile Association in this city.

James Wann, of Ballston, was the guest of his brother, Professor Wann, Saturday and Sunday.

The ladies of the Christian church

will give a Thanksgiving dinner on Thanksgiving day.

Miss Payne, of Salem, is visiting her brother George, the genial clerk in the Adkins drug store.

A social with refreshments will be given by the Endeavor Society on next Saturday evening.

The revival services at the Evangelical church are already doing considerable good.

Joe Evans, of Salem, was in town on business last week.

Professor Sanders, of Dallas, was in the city last week.

Charles Kuykendall had quite a run-away last Saturday as he came home from Salem. Chas. jumped out of the buggy and was unhurt, but before the horse was stopped the buggy and harness were considerably damaged.

One day last week as Mr. Clark was out driving in the country the bridge bit broke, and the horse ran a mile or more, but no damage was done.

Several members of the Congregational church went to Independence Sunday to hear the new preacher.

Preaching last Sunday morning and evening by Rev. Fruitrell of Dallas.

Andrew McDaniel, of Portland, was in town last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark are visiting relatives near Salt creek.

Robert Hutton and wife visited Perrydale Sunday.

Arch McNary spent Saturday and Sunday here.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder World's Fair Highest Medal and Diploma.

McCoy.

One of the most enjoyable events of the season was a surprise party at the residence of A. C. McKinnon just west of McCoy, on Tuesday evening November 20th, in honor of the birthdays of Miss Alice and Master Johnny McCoy.

The merry guests assembled at the home of J. K. Sears from whence they proceeded to that of Mr. McKinnon, where the surprised hosts and hostesses received them in a charming manner; then parlor games were indulged in until refreshments were announced and every one retired to the dining room, where a most elegant repast had been prepared.

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