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PATRONIZE HOME INDUSTRY.

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To Subscribers.

The COURIER-HERALD has put no accounts in any agent's hands for collection, but we understand Mr. Fitch has attempted to collect some of his back accounts in this way. We have nothing to do with this. The date opposite your name on the paper represents the time to which you have paid. If any errors occur we are ever ready to correct them.

We need a coaling station, eh? What? To coal our vessels at in time of war. What vessel? Why, you sure-looking soul. Those we must send there to protect the coal.

Another great job of prosperity has swept over Massachusetts and three thousand shoe workers are on a strike because their wages were to be cut 25 per cent.

In order to be able to pay something the legislature even hunted up a man who loaned the state some jack screws sixteen years ago and paid his bill with interest.—Salem Journal.

Spain never succeeded in acquiring sovereignty in the Philippines. After 340 years of unsuccessful war in those islands, she sold us a quit claim to the fight at \$2 a head for the Filipinos.

The next government census for spoils! There will be three thousand jobs, worth eight million dollars a year, to be distributed amongst the faithful. This will no doubt be a repetition of the "crime of 1890"—Porter's census.

The senate of the United States does many things that the people do not approve.—Enterprise.

Is that the reason the senate of the state of Oregon did not try to do anything for the people? Pretty lame excuse.

How thankful the people ought to be to the "law manufacturers" that they admit to this country, duty free, aconite, agates, analine salts, mother of pearl and shells, tapioca, tar, verdigris and rags—these are all so necessary to our welfare and comfort.

ONE-HALF of Mr. McKinley's administration is past. The republican congress elected with him has ended its existence. Yet not one thing has been done or attempted with a view to rescuing our currency system from the obvious dangers that threaten it or from the evils plainly inherent in it.—New York World.

The postmaster general has made a decision in regard to postmasters who fail to notify the publishers of subscribers who move or fail to take their papers from the office, to the effect that such postmasters shall be held responsible. The new postal law also says that any one subscribing for a paper and refusing to pay for it shall be liable to criminal prosecution.

The g. o. p. platform adopted at St. Louis in 1896 contained this clause: "We proclaim our unqualified condemnation of the uncivilized and barbarous practices well known as lynching or killing of human beings suspected or charged with crime, without process of law." But it said nothing about sending soldiers to a far-off country and brutally murdering a foreign people whose only "crime" is that they want their liberty.

If there is yet a voter left in this country who is so ignorant as to deny that legislation cannot and does not regulate value, we would like to have him or his gold advocating totor explain why it was that the bullion value of silver in the silver dollar was always worth a premium until the silver dollar was demonetized in 1873. Before 1873 the ratio between the bullion value of silver and gold was about 15 1/2 to 1. At the present time it is about 28 to 1—and it was "purchased" legislation that has caused this decrease in the value of silver. Restore it to its old time place as a money metal, by legislation, and it will at once rise to its old time bullion value.

Try COURIER-HERALD six months for 75 cents.

W. W. MYERS states that he had nothing to do with the inspiration of the article in the Canby sheet attacking ex-Assessor Stout. A communication on this subject from S. Hutchinson is published on page six of this issue.

A REPUBLICAN state legislature met at Salem and passed a law taking printing from democratic sheriff and putting it into the hands of a newly created board of commissioners. The said board let the printing to a reform paper, the lowest bidder. The graft didn't work at Oregon City as easily as at Salem. The board are to be congratulated for their straightforward honest dealing in this matter by not letting their political opinions get away with their better judgment, which would have cost the county some \$2000.

GOVERNOR PINGREE is giving his party much trouble. At a meeting of the Michigan republican clubs, at Detroit, in the presence of Alger, he said:

The tree is known by its fruits, and man is known by his deeds. Men of wealth now control the republican party. Corporations found their interests well cared for by men who were chosen to legislative bodies as republicans. Now this has been going on so long that it has become notorious. All men who had schemes and the corporations that wanted privileges have joined the republican party, expecting it to bear their burdens and serve them. This has been going on for years, but it cannot last forever.

THE new words "graft" and "grafter" have come to stay. In Kansas a bill has been introduced defining the words and prescribing a punishment for a person found guilty of "grafting." According to it a "grafter" is defined to be any person who loses around legislative halls seeking employment by persons or corporations interested in measures pending before the legislature, and any member of the legislature who introduces bills of a prohibitory character for the purpose of extorting money and who assists outside grafters in securing employment from intended victims. Any person convicted of being a grafter shall be fined \$10 to \$500 and be disqualified for holding any office.

COUNTY PRINTING.

On Friday last the board of county commissioners designated the COURIER-HERALD as the legal and official newspaper of Clackamas county in which legal notices shall be published and awarded it the contract for publishing the delinquent tax lists and furnishing the books, stationery, printing and supplies for a term ending July 1, 1900, at one half the former rate for publishing and three-fourths for former rate for printing, books, etc. This will save the county about \$2000 alone during the term mentioned, and the board deserves credit for letting the contract to the lowest bidder, especially when a republican editor of this city had a law passed for his personal benefit and expected to get the job at the about same old rates, a clear case of graft. Some may want to know how we can do the work so cheaply. In the first place the COURIER-HERALD has a larger circulation than any other two papers in the county combined and can publish a better paper for less money. It also does more printing than any two offices in the county, discounts its bills and runs off an economic plan and hence is able to make a few dollars on a job that a competitor would lose money on. It is not controlled by any one but the editor and proprietor and has no verminiform appendage or political bloodsucker attached.

MILLINERY OPENING. March 24th and 25th at the Red Front Store, Oregon City, fine display of beautiful hats, and a cordial invitation to come and inspect them. Our usual reasonable prices. Mrs. M. E. HAMMONS.

The Sewers.

Will a man work "agin" his own interests? Then why are Ernest Chapman and Dr. Powell in favor of the sewer on the hill?
By the scratch of the pen and the grace of the brush I'll tell you why. They prefer to live in a town having the conveniences and sanitary conditions of modern civilization to living in an obnoxious conglomeration of houses in a frog pond like the "boonville city of Haven of Unity."—C.

Cherryville.

Snow again after seeming so much like spring. Well, we have to take the weather as it comes, and there is no use grumbling about it.

Mrs. Cuddeby is on the sick list, but she is improving.

Pete Stone who has been working near Tigardville has returned home.

C. Shany has been hauling hay from G. T. Beebe's place.

S. Osborn is working for J. Mabey, March 14. JACK FROZE.

Garfield.

We are sorry to have to report Mr. Davis' family quarrel over the weather, especially Richard, as the girls will miss him of evenings at the singing school; also the league meetings; hope he will be ready to go home with his best girl again soon.

Conrad Krigbaum returned to Salem yesterday. He has been out home for a few days.

Frank Gill has gone to Russellville for a two weeks' stay.

Henry Palmateer went to Oregon City last Thursday, he said he had special business to attend to. J. J. Davis also had some special business in Oregon City last week and Portland, also, think he was looking after a teachers desk for the school house.

John Porter went to Parkplace to meet his mother, she spent the winter with her sister in California.

8th Austin has been up in the mountains looking after the upper hatchery. He was alone all winter, while out hunting one day, he ran on to a panther. Mr. Austin says he had a desperate fight with the brute and got one of his good dogs killed, and got a bite or so himself.

Math Patterson went to Salem Monday to attend the funeral of his father.

Rev. Davies preached a very able sermon at the school house Saturday evening at 7:30. He will preach there every two weeks.

Mr. Lee Wills and wife, were the guest of Mrs. Gid Krigbaum.

Miss Le Williams, of Oregon City, is the guest of Mrs. J. F. Iryin for a few days.

Mr. Emerson Surface is thinking of putting up a large fine dryer this summer, as he will have a crop of prunes if the fruit does well. March 13. BOZEE.

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

The democratic party is the silver anchor of the republic, says the Silver Knight-Watchman. Its guiding hand steered the republic through the first half century of its existence, during which time the world beheld, for the first time, the rise of a nation to wealth, power and greatness, whose corner stones were universal suffrage and universal education.

The author of the Declaration of Independence was the founder of the democratic party. Its formation took place through a process of natural selection. While Americans generally were a unit in favor of independence and Great Britain, after their independence was achieved there existed a wide difference of opinion among the foremost men of that day regarding the character of government that should be established.

Alexander Hamilton and Thomas Jefferson soon became the recognized leaders of thought and opinion. Jefferson laid down the broad proposition that life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness were the natural rights of all men, and that the true province of government was to conserve these natural rights; that governments were just or unjust, in proportion as they succeeded or failed, measured by his test. Jefferson solved the problem of all time. Christ proclaimed God to be the common father and that all men were brothers. Jefferson, standing upon the natural rights of all men to be free, sought to so bind men together into commonwealths that at last they might melt into brothers.

On the other hand, there was a large, wealthy and powerful class, of aristocratic tendencies, who like the founders of the ancient Greek republics, thought they themselves were entitled to be free, but were unwilling to extend the freedom they claimed for themselves so as to embrace the whole. They favored a liberal government compared to others existing at the time, but opposed a government consisting of, and responsible to, the whole people. They struggled hard to establish a government giving the president a life tenure of office with power to appoint governors of the states. The government of their choice was, in fact, a form of limited monarchy. Alexander Hamilton was the recognized leader of this class.

Hamilton and Jefferson were both men of extraordinary power. Their leadership was of that character that goes unchallenged. Under the law of natural selection the people gravitated to one or the other. The crystallization of opinion in favor of the ideas that Jefferson contended for, formed the democratic party—at that time known by the name of republican party; while those who held the views championed by Hamilton banded themselves together in their support, and were known by the name of federalists.

Jefferson and his followers prevailed and our republic with a constitution guaranteeing and safe-guarding the liberties of the people was launched upon the sea of time.

The American republic, hated by the rulers of the Old World and reviled by the sycophants who subsisted on the crumbs of favoritism that dropped from the tables of kings and emperors, at once became the hope of the world. The success of the republic justified the claims of Jefferson. He and his followers were the constructive statesmen of the first half century of our national existence. Their courageous, aggressive, and successful administration were characterized by the most rigid application of the principles expressed in the greatest good to the greatest number. The traditions of the democratic party continued to attract to its ranks the same class who rallied to the support of Jefferson in his day.

The democratic party was the party of the people in its inception, and in spite of the assault of the money power and modern Tories, it is the party of the people to day.

In 1896 when the party was in disgrace, with a president of its own selection in power, corrupt dealing with foreign and domestic money changers and usurers and tramping under foot morals and decency, the rank and file of the party rose in their might, repudiated and condemned the conduct of the administration and demonstrated the vitality of a government of the people. The Chicago platform reaffirms anew the Declaration of Independence. It assures us that the spirit of '76 still lives. Upon this platform in 1900 the democratic party will attract to its fold a greater majority of the American voters than ever before united in one party. The duty of all who believe in a government of the people, for the people, and by the people, is to commence at once to assist in bringing the people in the community in which they live to a realizing sense of the true meaning of the Chicago platform. We must not wait until next year. If we do all may be lost. The money power and the monopolies have their hired agents in every state at this time working for the overthrow of the Chicago platform. The decisive battle between plutocracy and the people will be fought within the ranks of the democratic party between now and the assembling of the next democratic national convention. The re-election of the Chicago platform means the triumph of the people. The defeat of that platform means that those who supported Bryan in 1896 will be divided into hopeless factions and the success of the people will be indefinitely postponed.

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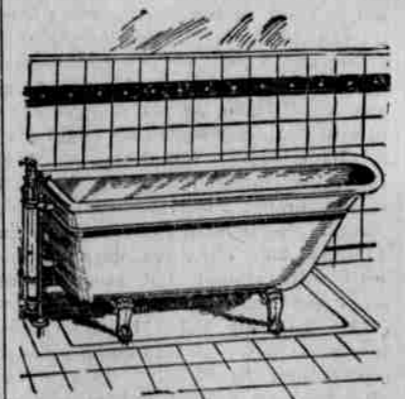
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