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PATRONIZE HOME INDUSTRY.

OREGON CITY, MARCH 24, 1899.

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 these. 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.

This year the government will fall one hundred and eighty millions of dollars short of paying current expenses notwithstanding the gold standard, the Dingley tariff and the war tax.

SENATOR DEWEY receives a salary of \$55,000 a year. Uncle Sam pays \$5,000 of it and the Vanderbilts the other \$50,000. There is no use talking, our millionaires are becoming very generous. Suppose Uncle Sam had to pay the whole \$55,000. We are a great people, we are.

The Long Creek Eagle, Grant county, published a long obituary of a man who had died in the community, closing with the statement that "a long procession of people followed the remains to the resting place." The family discovered the supposed error and asked the editor to make the correction of the word "resting," but he would not do it till the seven years' back subscription which the deceased owed had been paid.

In volume 16 page 248, of the supreme court decisions of the state of Iowa, it reads: "The gold dollar is not a commodity having an intrinsic value, but money having only a statutory value." And on page 250, same volume:—"and every dollar has the same value without regard to the material." Will the gold bug papers now call these republican judges "anarchists," "repudiators," or "cheap money advocates." Perhaps they will.

NEXT week the COURIER-HERALD will appear an "all home print" sheet. Heretofore part of our composition and printing was done in Portland. The advertising patronage of the paper has increased to such an extent that the change has been made necessary. This will allow us to devote more space to editorial and political news, which have of late been crowded more than it should have been. The job printing part of the business has also increased to such an extent that we are compelled to enlarge our office, add more type and machinery, and next week we will move down stairs, next to our present quarters, where we will be pleased to have our friends and patrons call and visit us. All the latest newspapers and magazines will be kept on file for the use of our patrons.

The rapid development of the trusts is attracting a great deal of attention at the present time, and some timid souls are becoming alarmed at the seeming unlimited power which they, the trusts, will be able to wield in the near future. All thinking people know that the trust, no matter of what nature, are but the legitimate fruit of class legislation, which has been going on for a number of years. By far the larger part of this vicious legislation has been bought and paid for with filthy lucre, and to oppose public clamor, influential newspapers have been subsidized to remain silent or declare in labored editorials that such laws were for the public good. Though such means the common people, i. e., middle classes, have been deceived and now all classes are confronted with one of the greatest and most intricate problems that any nation of which we have any history, have ever been called on to face. The trust has flourished through the acts of dishonest politicians and to expect that they will be kept within bounds by the same element which brought them into existence is too absurd for a moment's consideration.

SENATOR PORTER'S WAIL.

Mr. Porter's railings in the last issue of his organ over the loss of the county printing are childish in the extreme. In the first place he charges the county with having paid heretofore high rates for the printing, when in fact it paid less than individuals pay for the same work and about one-half of what the other counties pay. The rate the county will pay for printing and stationery now leaves but a narrow margin for profit and if we did not do any more business than some others in the same line we would actually lose money, but by getting all the business when we otherwise would get but a part of it we are able to do the work at a great reduction.

He doesn't see why the republican court does not favor him and give him the work at the price paid by others, which we said before was 25% above county rates. The county now saves \$2000 in the next 16 months on the printing, but if given to Bro. Porter at rates paid by individuals it would have cost the county about \$1000 more than the old rates, a clear saving of \$3000 according to his figuring. No wonder the board did stand his "work" and would not be bulldozed. He then goes on to call Scott a coward and Morton unfair and Marks the whole board. How absurd.

Bro. Porter also states that we said there were blanks in the court house to last three years. We acknowledge the fact and now state that there are some kinds that will not be used in ten or twelve years, and a majority of them bear the imprint of the Enterprise and a St. Louis house and were printed years ago and some are almost worthless. He intended to insinuate that the work ordered last month would last for years, when, in fact, nearly all of it will be used in the next six months.

He also wonders why the COURIER-HERALD was not given the contract to furnish wood for the court house and crushed rock for roads and to board the prisoners. We are perfectly willing to furnish all said wood and rock and board prisoners for 25% less than that present rates if given the entire contract. We will go further and agree to furnish officers for all the offices in the court house at a reduction of 50% from present salaries and furnish bonds for the faithful performance of the officers, if given the entire contract, but not for an office or two.

We congratulate the county on saving \$2000 on the printing even if it did hurt Bro. Porter, whose chief aim at Salem was to get a bill through to corral the printing. Next time he introduces a bill of this kind it will probably read, "Be it enacted by the state of Oregon, etc., that L. L. Porter's paper be made the official organ of Clackamas county, etc."

We are in favor of the county improving all the main roads to Oregon City as soon as possible. Nearly all the communities through which the trunk roads run are willing to do the work if the county will furnish the plank. The spirit of the country resident is shown by communication from Shubel on page 8 of this issue. We are unquestionably in favor of plank instead of gravel or crushed rock for roads, especially where drainage is poor; it's better and cheaper even if new plank has to be laid every eight years. While we are not in favor of a larger debt we would like to submit a proposition to the people to find out whether they would be in favor of a debt for roads or not. Let the people speak. If there every was a reason for going into debt it is to build good roads.

There is about \$7 in gold per capita in the United States—of this amount there is now over two hundred and twenty-five millions hoarded in the national treasury, for the gamblers to speculate on—and as much more held in the vaults of the New York gold manipulators. Then how much is there left in circulation among the people? And yet all property values and the products of all human labor must, according to Ienstein, Hanna & Co., be measured by the gold standard of value. Hence it is clear to see that all debts contracted by the nation, by states, by cities, by counties or even by private individuals, have been doubled by the demonization of silver—that it now takes twice the amount of labor to pay debts and taxes that it formerly did—yet taxes and official salaries are on the increase.

There is a class of metropolitan subsidized papers, claiming to be democratic, which are just now more energetic than ever before in demanding an income tax, in crying out against the great trust combinations, in decrying the imperialistic policy of the present administration, in condemning the present rotten tariff measure—all of which is very commendable. But these papers are also saying other things which are neither true or commendable. They are braying that "silver is a 'sa' issue" and are trying awfully hard to bury the cold white corpse with these other questions. Beware of such newspapers; they are not democratic, they are not honest, they are not truthful, they are not even American—they bear the brand and the smell of the ghouls who infest Wall street.

GOODBY, HUMAN WAGE SLAVES.

After the war of the rebellion northern capital went south.

Why? To get cheap labor. Along with the capitalists went northern school teachers, and now Sambo has some education, he is not so tractable as he was. He wants better wages, and some of the darkies even want to vote. A few are so impudent, where they are largely in the majority, as to want to hold office; and it was getting to be quite a problem with the modern slave driver, as to how to manage Sambo.

The problem has been solved at last. A gentleman—a gentleman, did we say? Well! let it go at that. A large plantation owner happened upon a monkey trainer with a band of monkeys, and it occurred to him that monkeys could be taught to pick cotton.

So he bought a dozen monkeys and hired the trainer to go with them. He set them to work, and in a short time he had them trained so as to pick 150 pounds of cotton a day. As was to be expected, he found that the lady monkeys picked more cotton in a day and picked it cleaner than the gentleman monkeys.

Now, out went twelve darkies and in went twelve monkeys. Of course he will be able to find a darkie who is smart enough to boss the monkeys but not quite smart enough to demand good wages for it, and then he will be able to dispense with his high priced monkey trainer.

As lady monkeys picked the most cotton, and as ladies are not expected to get as much wages as gentlemen, he will of course change his gentleman monkeys for lady monkeys as fast as he can; and the gentleman monkeys will have to go back to Africa or starve.

This only the beginning, they will soon have machinery so perfect that a monkey can run that. They will only need a man around occasionally to tell the monkeys when to start and when to stop. Verily, this is a great age in which we live.

We shall now find good use for the Philippine islands. We can turn them into monkey hatcheries, and we could easily get the Oregon legislature to appropriate money to carry on the hatcheries with. Good 'nuff. Good 'nuff.

WANTED:—To trade a printing office for a cotton plantation and a dozen monkeys.

P. S. Republican papers please don't copy, or Hanna, Rockefeller and Co., will form a monkey trust before we get our plantation started.—Albany Press.

All those who believe that the mission of the reform party is ended, and that the republican party will grant all needed legislation, which the natural trend of events is rendering imperative, should ask themselves the following questions: Who is responsible for the present remarkable development of the trusts? The republican party. What is the present attitude of the republican party towards trusts? Favorable as usual. What particular political issue are they strong on? The tariff. How do they regard everyone outside of the republican fold? As anarchists, dead beats and public enemies generally. What party contains some of the most corrupt political grafters that ever disgraced the earth with their presence? The republican party. Can any good come out of a party with such a record or such a leadership.

"I AM in favor of the initiative and referendum as far as it can be applied to our conditions, and assisted in the adoption of such a plank in our state convention, but I believe an attempt to give that such prominence as you seem to give it means harm rather than advantage to the other reforms upon which the people are ready to act. I may be mistaken, but such is my opinion."—W. J. Bryan, Nov. 26, 1897.

COMMENTARIES.

Matters Concerning Local Everyday Affairs Noticed by the Courier-Herald Reporter.

On the score of good health and morals there should be a sewerage system on the hill. It would be far easier for the average taxpayer to pay for a sewerage system on easy installments than to pay doctor bills. The politician who raises the cry that people cannot afford sewerage, is merely talking through his hat to get patronage.

Councilman Schuebel is one of the most conscientious, hard working members of the city council, and continually labors for improvement and economy. He asked that Councilman Koerner be placed on the committee with him to ask for a reduction in the price of electric lights. Mr. Koerner made a great bluster in favor of economy in lighting the city, and promised to stand with Mr. Schuebel in the matter of asking for a reduction in the price of city lights. The latter, however, says that Mr. Koerner proved a traitor to him, and left him to hold an empty sack. Mr. Koerner wants no economy unless it comes out of the salary of the wage earner.

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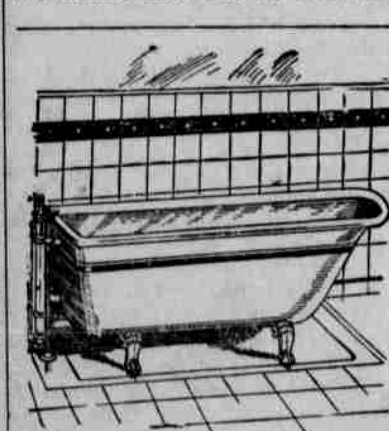
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