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THE IMPERATIVE MANDATE-Whenever a public or negligent of his duties the voters shall have the right to retire him and elect one of their choice. The people alone are sovereign

ANDREW CARNEGIE predicts a defeat for McKinley in 1600 if he does not abandon his imperial policy.

services of a strong political strategiic because we were too outspoken. This board next year in order to secure a renomination.

"I speak of forcible annexation, for gression."-McKinley.

ALGERISM and Eaganism, like Banquo's ghost will not down. The report of the beef court is too rank a dose for many administration organs to swallow.

THE old version: All just governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed. The new version: Death or unconditional surren-

It is generally thought that Eagan is doing pretty well to draw full pay in retirement while charged with "colossal" errors "for which there is no pallia-

WANTED-A Philippine policy. Any old thing will do, just so its a policy. Address, ALOY McHANNA, Keep off the grass St., Washington, D. C.

forerunner of a gigantic government and not for any other and as soon as trust that will take in all industry, that war was over they should have An iron-clad despotism would soon tollow. It is better to preserve liberty by their place. That is what the regular so regulating franchises that combina- army is for. Another thing, the voluntions, in restraint of trade, cannot live.

conform to the administration model the back ground. this year in order that papers publishing them may be sent to our soldiers in the Philippine Islands. The old fashioned kind would come under the administration's interpretation of "seditious utterances."

Virginia democracy favor the election of United States senators through direct vote of the people and proposes to make it the subject of constitutional amendment. Election of United States senstor by direct vote of the people would do away with the American House of wid ye," but mind you, he don't tell his Lords, and if that institution is done Oregon City ring friends the same story. a way with what would become of No, Sans Brownell is a prominent popu-Brother Abner McKinley's job as csp- list writer and resides in a neighboring ust boosters.

SUPPRESSED, EH.

A prominent Oregon City lawyer and politician wants the Courier-Herald suppressed for its free speech. This gentleman has a right, of course, to express his sentiments and those of his colleagues who are opposed to anything but political ring rule. They say we speak too plain and that it will injure us and seem to be very solicitous about our well are. The present Oregon City republican lawver ring has about run its course, and the farmers and taxpayers from the country who vote'r straight are about to take up arms against it. It only remains for the latter to organ-Entered in Oregon City posteffice as 2nd-class matter ize and stick together and they can have things their own way for awhile. The time has come when the farmer and be pulled around by the nose and used The date opposite your address on the paper descies the time to which you have paid office, and we are glad to know that they think this paper should be suppressed and that they have good reasons Standing business advertisements: Per month to have it put out of the way if possible. They will have stand better raises beto have it put out of the way if possible. They will have still batter raises beto have it put out of the way if possible. They will have still batter raises beto have it put out of the way if possible.

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of publication will not be furnished until pubif it costs us a few republican readers. We believe in the principles we advo-Local netices; Five cents per line per week cate, are not running for office, intend to remain here and are not for sale as some former newspaper men have been, ad it will take more than a few ring politicians to suppress us.

Tausrs depend upon law for their existance and must fall of their own weight when the law ceases to uphold Secons-Desiraction of criminal trusts. No them, Therefore the trusts have a vital aconopolization of the national resources by law- interest in politics. Every one of them will support the republican candidate in the presidential election next year.

A little Shelby (Neb.) girl at her prayers the other night, after the usual appeal for her loved ones, added: "And of corporations and bostes, to be made truly repre- please Lord take care of yourself, too, for if anything should happen to you, we wouldn't have anybody but McKinley to depend on, and he isn't doing as well as papa expected."-Ex.

WE desire to suggest to the the President that watching the mails to prevent "seditious literature" being sent to our and its supply to be regulated by the people and soldiers in the Philippines is not half as shrewd a political move as it would be to watch the mails from the Philippines that are bringing into this country aceentage of the voters, which must then go to the counts of the process of benevolent assimilation practiced by Otis.

The fellow who opposes direct legislation, says the people are not capable of governing themselves; and in doing this acknowledges either that he is inofficial shall be deemed dishonest, incompetent competent himself, or that he doesn't consider himself one of the people who think we ought to have a war occasionally just to kill off some of the people, for fear the world will get over-populated. He always thinks its the other fellow that ought to be killed.

A FREMINENT goldstandard democrat PRESIDENT MCKINLEY will need the stopped the Courier-Herald last week man is one of the "immortal 30" that voted for Palmer and Buckner and thinks he is a financier because he handles considerable money during the that cannot be thought of. That by our year for others. He has been in several code of morality would be criminal ag- newspaper controversies and generally gets the worst of it although he don't know it.

> Labor unions in their convention at Salt Lake last week passed a resolution making it incumbent upon all lodges to inquire into the political records of all candidates upon all tickets. Those found to be inimicable to labor are to be turned down. The trouble with the labor unions is this: They are a pack of jawsmiths and given to passing resolutions. Labor is decidedly in the majority at the polls. If it had sense enough to get together and do little more voting and a little less resoluting it might accomplish something.

WE still maintain that the government did not do right where it sacrificed our volunteer army for the sake of a few niggers in the Philippines. The lives of our boys are too precious to be used to further the ends of an administration. Socialists welcome the trusts as the The boys enlisted for the Spanish war been discharged and regulars sent in teers should not have been pushed to the front to bear the brunt of battle and FOURTH of July orations will have to be killed when the regulars were kept in

Some of our readers seem to think that Sans Brownell, who had an article in last week's Counter-Herald, is in some way connected with our Honerable Geo. C., because, as they claim, he has been known to expound populist doctrine when there were votes to be gotten and our Honorable Geo. C. is just now figuring on "something" next spring and is loosing no time in patting our reformers on the back and saying, "good boy, them's my principles," and "I am ain general of the army contractors and county and is not a wolf in sheep's

### Legislated Value

Editor Courier-Herald:

The wheels of political fortune have taken another turn and the republican party is out on top this time, so there can be no excuse now, and if all there is between the people and prosperity is republican success, every obstacle is now removed. But there are people who still declare that there is a degree of prosperity within sight but not obtained for the reason of unfavorable legislation, but just what legislation is needed is the all important question. To get the dissatisfied people to agree upon some one point is the hard thing to do. The Oregonian, in reply to the Spokane Review, makes a statement that

contains somewhat hidden within it a Go repeat with gentle accent very essential point that is well worth careful consideration by the people. We quote a statement therein made: "What it has said is this, that it is the weight of gold that is the staple value, or the most staple that can be found;

and in order to make a good, sound and staple dollar, we have decreed that the dollar shall contain or be based on a certain number of grains of gold. We have fixed that weight at 23.22 grains-not arbitrarily, for it is the result of monetary legislation throughout a very long historic period."

This statement contains more than would appear at the first glance. Gold is the most staple value to be found, "and in order to make a good, sound and staple dollar, WE HAVE DECREED." And here is the all important point: Which is staple, the gold or the decree? It is admitted in the last sentence that When we hear the bugle sounding, the fixture is in the "monetary legislation," and how any other conclusion can be arrived at than that all there is the matter with silver is the fact that "we have decreed" that "we" don't want it any longer. Should we "decree" that we do not want gold any longer, can any one give a reason why it would not tumble to the fluctuating value of a commodity and become as "dishonest" as silver? And again, should "we decree" that 371.25 grains of silver should always be equivalent in all business transactions to 23.22 grains of gold, why would it be dishonest, or who would be vested with authority to say no to it?

What is wanted among the people is a more lucid understanding of the fact that the fixture of the value is in the decree, as stated by the Oregonian; but what we are to look for now is to see who this "we" is, as from a statement made by the Oregonian that "illinformed, demagogic congressmen" were not the safe ones to be considered

371.25 grains of silver, with free coinage; nal society, but the old organization will but that would be a dollar of less value, have to be wound up, its effects sold a dollar of less than one half the value and distributed to its stock-holders, a of the present dollar; a dollar not only of low value, cheating everybody, but a ground.—Appeal to Reason. dollar of fluctuating value, changing with the silver market."

It is very certain from the foregoing statement that congress is not the "we' who can fix the value. Notwithstanding the fact that silver, prior to the time of unfavorable legislation, stood equal with gold and notwithstanding the statement made by them, "we have fixed that weight at 23.22 grains-not arbitrarily, for it is the result of monetary legislation," yet the power of congress to fix to silver anything else than a fluctuating, commodity value is persistently denied, so the "we" spoken of must restentirely somewhere else.

We have been going on voting for congressmen, supposing that they could express semething of our wishes in regard to what the money of our country must be like, but we can only understand from the last statement that so far as their being able to "establish the value thereof" is concerned they are entirely impotent and that there is a greater power behind them that can render anything they may do of no avail if it should happen to displease its royal highness.

That this "we" whose "decree" is greater than the power of congress is much pleased with the success of the republican party is to be taken for granted, and by the time the "we" and the republican party have given us two years more of legislation, I doubt very gress will have much power or authority left to them.

I think it would be a very good piece of work for the people while they are resting and allowing this "we" and the republican party to get in their fine ditto, farm implements, patents work, to investigate and interview this all important "we," this great somebody, somewhere, a something that can hold gold so steady that congress cannot put anything along side of it that could dare presume to compete with it.

By the people becoming better ac quainted with this all consequential "we" they can act in the future with greater wisdom and advantage to themselves. THOMAS BUCKMAN.

Marshfield, Ore.

summer's job as "forest rangers;" and history; its more, its common sense. while they range their optics upon the It is math-metically correct, therefore far distant forests and weit for payday, take heed, and when you seek your own they can congratulate themselves that political or social elevation, you can missioner Hermann.

## Coming Home.

Sound the bugle's brazen message From the distant tropic shore To the home beyond the ocean,

"We are coming home once more!" Safely through the din of battle They have borne our country's fame, And soon, with heaven's blessing, Our boys will be home again.

Once again, O joy and sorrow, Wings the heart of gentle love, Comes the message to the waiting, Like the sunlight from above.

Raise Old Glory to the breezes Toward the distant azure dome As a token of our gladness, For the boys are coming home!

To the loved ones, the slain,

On you foreign field of glory, For they'll ne'er come home again. Proudly once we bore our sorrow-Strangled all our wildest fears, As we watched our gallant army Through the blur of misty tears.

How we read each hurried letter, How we dream it o'er and o'er. Now we have the joyful message "We are coming home once more."

What a gladness! what rejoicing! Yet our hearts are filled with pain For the ones who still are waiting, For the ones whose loved are slain. When the day shall bring them safely

To our own dear native shore There are some who left it gaily Will return to it no more. Hear the tramping of our feet,

With what a joyful, hearty cheering

Will our sunburnt soldiers meet. O'er the hills of dear old Oregon, From its valleys and its plain, Echoes fly like geared lightning "We will soon be home again."

Once again, our hearts united With a bond of holy love, Let us ask one single b'essing From the Father's hands above.

Let the free flag float forever. Forever through the future years, And with Thy boundless kindness, God bless our volunteers.

FRANCES MARIE HUERTH.

THE Ruskin Colony passed into the hands of a receiver April 29th. It has been tangled up in innumerable law suits and mortgages and internal dissensions for a long time. Many members have been expelled from the premises and deprived of their contribution to the as the "we" to fix these matters, some-to these affairs have been suppressed body else must be called upon to do it.

Further on, they say "Congress, inded, could make the dollar consist of ded, could make the dollar consist of out by a few of corty remain. It is proposed, and will probably be carried out by a few to represent the content of the could be consisted out by a few to represent the could be carried out by a few to represent the could be carried out by a few to represent the could be carried to these affairs have been suppressed from the public. Of the original members only a few to represent the could be called upon to do it. out by a few, to re-organize as a frater-

and leaving the balance of man and tions and think it is the gas of patriotwomankind to get along as best they ism that causes them to swell because can. It's a very selfish motive. Whether the truth has been told concerning our christianity is good, bad or indifferent is treatment of the poor Filipino. not a question at this time or has to do is it but murder? with this particular subject, but we wish to remark if the early converts to that religion had hung around Jerusalem and argued theological points the gospel would not have been preached very extensively. It was the Pauls, Patricks, Augustines, Joliets, Livingstons, etc., that carried the tidings to the four corners of the earth. So with colonies of the Ruskin type. They are narrow. lifeless, monotonous, and the inmates, no matter how enthusiastic they may be, or how sincere in their desire to reform and benefit their kind, the attempt genera ly fails when confined to communities. The Ruskin plan was a very good one, but being good why confine it. Go preach my gospel to all the world." says the founder of christianity. "Hide not your light under a bushel. Behold I bring you tidings of great joy." If the system under which the Ruskin people lived was even in a small measure perfect each inmate should have been a missionary to propogate the ideas, convert the sceptical and finally establish the great truth of socialism on the totering structure of miss-representative government. No colony can succeed. much whether either the people or con- no matter how earnestly they strive, while all the abuses of private ownership and privileged monopoly surround them. They must use monopoly money issued from monopoly banks, oil from monopoly wells and refineries, sugar whatever kind, in fact all that enter into existence in social being in this age is virtually monopolized, therefore it is the bounden duty of every man and woman knowing these essential facts to work outside of colonies for the purpose of giving to the whole people those benefits and privileges which it is their aim and desire to enjoy exclusively. No portion of the body politic can remain above. beyond or better than the great mass; if the smalller portion cannot pull the lower up, those below will surely drag FORTY-FIVE men have secured a small the higher to the lower level. This is they had pull enough with Land Com- only attain it by assisting your neighbor

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### New Disease.

Mr. Editor, you want to be careful what you say about how the Filipinos are being treated. Don't you see how you are causing certain individuals to swell up with patriotism? It is dangerous to the human anatomy to fill up with that kind of gas. It is a new kind of disease and doctors don't know just how to deal with it. I have known persons about Oregon City to get very full, even gloriously full, but not on the above mentioned stuff. It was something that was not manufactured by the present administration. It does seem very funny to see a man

swell up, pant, roll his eyes in an agony of dispair and blow off great puffs of patriotic gas because a newspaper editor made a mistake and told the truth. Somebody please tell me what it is but murder, cold blooded at that. What provocation did the poor Filipino ever give us to cause us to strike him down? They never threatened to invade our country; they never blew up any of our battle ships or called us pig heads. They never molested us in any way. They never put a chip on their shoulder and dared us to knock it off. They never even so much as made a face at us, and yet, in the face of all these facts. we invade their country, we shoot down the bread winners of the women and children because they resist our invathe purpose of bettering their condition up from the putridness of their false no-

Don't all you things get up at once. you might scare me to see so many of you with that dreadful bloat on, but some one of you please tell me what it would be if I were to go into one of my neighbor's houses whose skin was a little different color from mine, and who conducted his family affairs a little different from mine, and because he resisted the invasion of his house, I should shoot him because I wanted him to have your representative his subscription to the rules governing his house the same as mine, what would it be called? Now be honest, what name would you give it? I think I can see the lips of every honest man move as they would in framing the word, murder; that is the word that expresses it exactly. Let him who will, bluster and swell up, from the weak-minded doctor to the president; let them swell even to the bursting of themselves asunder, it will let some of the rotteness run out. They think it is patriotism. What good can we do the Filipino, make him a taxpayer, is that the idea? God help him after old Hanna holds him up. Do we hope to make him feed himself better? As a matter of fact there was less hunger and starvation in the Philippine islands before our army disturbed the equanimity of their affairs than there is in our own land

The expansionist exclaims, "we want to lift them out of their benighted, halfthem in our American sweat-shops? we have gotten down to the meat of How do you like it?-Albany Press. this problem. It is to satisfy the Shylock that all this malicious, cold blooded murder of the poor Filipino is carried on until he is subservient to their will. Carus, June 1. SQUIB.

THE latest trust is called the "Patriot sm Trust," and Alger, Hanna, Quay, Platt and Elkins are its principle members.

### Correspondence.

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Prairie City, Grant Co., Oregon, is an enterprising town in the John Day valley, with a population of about 20 souls, 58 miles west of Baker City and 14 miles east of Canyon City. There are some lucrative mining claims on Dixie creek just north of Prairie City. The soil here is very productive where irrigation can be employed. Times are much better here than in Webfoot, thousands of head of cattle having been sold in Grant county this spring to eastern buvers.

On Strawberry creek we met John Gutteridge, a Clackamas county boy whose father runs the big prune orchard at Springwater. We have met a number of people from Clackamas county at John Day City, situated two miles north of Canyon City, a lively town whose one saloon is doing a land office business. McCullum & Boyley, dealers in general merchandise, do a big business. carry a stock invoiced at twenty-five thousand dollars. Their freight is hauled in wagons 110 miles, from Heppner, for which the freighters receive \$1 per 100 pounds. When you recover your breath after being quoted the price of any article of merchandise, the merchant will grasp your lapel, pat you fraternally on the back and say: "Its the freight, you know, we have to figure on the freight." sion, and here at home in our land of The kind of oranges you pay 10 cents THERE IS nothing surprising in the peace and security, some of the two above. A few people joining together for legged things that infest our land bloat s for a quarter here. We went into a barber shop to get a shave and hair cut and fell over in a fit when we had to pay 50 cents for the hair cut and 25 cents for the shave; it was the freight figured in, you know. We called at the dental parlor of Dr. E. A. Knight, of John Day City, and he taxed us \$1.00 for extracting a molar; its the freight, you know. One gets a good meal at Hall's hotel for a quarter.

Robert V. Officer, who is running the City Feed Stable in John Day City, is a Molalla boy and well known to the early settlers of Clakamas county. Mr. Officer is hearty, well and prosperous, and showed his good sense by handing Oregon City's only live newspaper, the COURIER-HERALD.

May 24. E. A.

Now that the homecoming of the Oregon boys is assured, and thousands of hearts will be gladdened, let us in the hour of our gladness forget not the saddened hearts of the friends of those who never can return except in sweet memo ry. Let us make glad the hearts of the friends of the living, and show to the fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, sons, and daughters of the fallen ones that the Oregon soldier who gave up his life in the Spanish war believed that in case of his death he would fill the grave of a hero.

The notorious bad beef investigation is ended, and, as everybody expected, everyone connected with the scandal has been whitewashed. General Eagan has been punished by receiving a six savage state." I ask, what for, to drop year's vacation and full pay. General Miles has been censured for not telling Expansionists say, "we want to cultivate the truth soon enough. The mouths of their minds and get them out of their all the soldiers who were not killed by state of ignorance." I ask, what for; the stuff have been closed. The packthat they may have a keener sense of ers are declared innocent and are now their misery when their children have fit subjects for the U. S. Senate. Alger to go to bed hungry that the maw of the has been declared the greatest secretary tax-gatherer and usurer be satisfied and of war since Stanton. The farce is ended Shylock gets his pound of flesh? Now and the people will foot the bill.

> Persen's whiskers will now be given a rest. The wind will subside and so will the daily papers. Peffer has joined the epublican party.

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