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DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Democratic County Central Committee of Clackamas County are hereby notified to meet in Oregon City on Saturday, Oct. 24th, 1903, for the transaction of important business.

BUCKLE ON YOUR ARMOR.

The Democratic Central Committee of Clackamas county will meet at Red Men's Hall in Oregon City on next Saturday, tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

"Virtue against vice" is the modest party cry of the Fusionists in New York City.

Every vice found among the soldiers of our army is now attributed to the abolition of the army canteen.

It has been discovered that our minister at Constantinople can argue the American claims much better while our fleet is at Beirut.

President Roosevelt has accepted an invitation to go fox hunting in Pennsylvania. The secret service men who follow him will have a hard ride.

Within the last few years Patterson, N. J., has been swept by a fire, a tornado and two floods.

Lewis Nixon, former head of Tammany Hall, declares that he is out of the race for Mayor of New York.

The Chinese minister at Berlin is buying large quantities of arms. Perhaps China wants the European governments to let her go to war with somebody.

Former Secretary Long said, in speaking of his Assistant Secretary, Theodore Roosevelt: "His typewriters had no rest. He, too, lacks the rare knack of brevity."

John Redmond, the Irish leader, thus expresses his opinion of Chamberlain's successor.

The only daughter of the German Emperor is an excellent cook. Cooking seems to be the one thing which her father has not attempted.

President Roosevelt has been censured by the Prohibitionists because when passing through Kansas last year he permitted liquor to

be carried and served on his special train.

A girl in Norfolk, Va., was married twice within twelve days. Her first husband committed suicide because of the attentions she paid the man who has just become her second husband.

The Czar of Russia has dared to stand in the street of Darmstadt, Germany, smoking cigarettes, with only two adjutants to guard him. The Germans were surprised that he did not seem a bit nervous.

Senator Hanna tells the people of Ohio, that the Johnson supporters "are stealing upon you with seductive promises and ready to put the blade to your throat and to poison the water you drink."

The following is an interesting sample of campaign literature, "The Republican party has ruled this nation with the exception of two administrations for the last forty-three years, and under its guiding hand the population has practically trebled."

In Germany ten thousand young men who should have reported for military duty have been sentenced in contumacy for desertion. They are supposed to have left the country. The German army seems to have a stimulating effect upon emigration.

The peace footing of the Canadian militia is to be raised from 38,000 to 45,000 and supplied with officers and rifles sufficient for an emergency force of 100,000 men.

THE BEGINNING OF THE END.

The following excerpt we take from a letter of James Creelman one of the greatest newspaper writers of the age.

Not a captain of speculation, but a great financier, one of the foremost men of the continent—a man whose name would be instantly recognized throughout the world for its commanding authority in the financial and commercial affairs of America—said to me yesterday:

"You ask me whether the worst stage in the present commercial depression has been reached. I can scarcely trust myself to answer, for if I speak at all, I must speak the truth as I know it.

"The great west and a large part of the south is sound. Wherever people are engaged in agriculture, wherever they are looking to the soil for their living, all is well, for nature has been generous and there is always a market for grain, provisions and cotton aboard.

The farmers of the west and south need have no fear, save those who have been speculating in stocks. Domestic conditions cannot ruin them, for, I repeat, the people of Europe must eat and wear clothes and the most important market for agricultural products is abroad.

"But people have been crowding more and more into our eastern cities. The industrial centers are overgrown. We are manufacturing more than we can sell.

"What are the facts? The great railways of the country have been the chief customers of the eastern industries. They have spent hundreds of millions of dollars in improvements in the past few years.

"Wages must be lowered and mills must be shut down. It is only the fear of speculative consequences in Wall street that prevents prompt action now.

"I tell you that the reconstructions, extension and improvement of the railway systems of the country have been the backbone of the industrial prosperity which has led to the inflation of securities in Wall street to hundreds of millions

THIS IS THE BIG PUMPKIN.

How Many Seed Does it Contain is the Question That is Up for Solution Before Courier Subscribers



The magnificent pumpkin which decorates the window of the Courier office continues to attract attention. Every subscriber to the Courier who pays his or her subscription gets one estimate upon the number of seed in this big fellow, and some one will get our fine \$400.00 piano.

of dollars beyond their value. The railway systems have got through; they have anticipated business for many years. It is a crime to deceive the country any longer with false hopes of returning industrial prosperity.

"The only door of relief must be cut right through the tariff. By that door alone can we reach the markets necessary to support our overgrown industries.

OUR TRADE WITH CANADA.

The prime minister of Canada, Sir, Wilfred Laurier, is a man or more than ordinary abilities. While he has not the long-headed Scotch foresight and audacity of the late Sir John McDonald he does have a French alertness of intellect and English spirit of persistence which stand his patriotism in good stead as he goes about to make the Dominion independent and prosperous.

Sir Wilfred has always manifested his largest political ambitions in plans for the populating of Canada, the development of her riches of agriculture and raw materials, the creation of manufactures and the procurement of exchanging markets yielding best advantages to Canadian foreign commerce.

By giving to England a preferential schedule of tariff rates lower than those accorded to the United States he has minimized our trade with the Dominion to a degree and created a market in the old country for a larger proportion of Canadian foodstuffs and raw material by reciprocal exchange.

Now, however, the law of compensation is effecting its inevitable reprisals and the manufacturers of Canada are aroused to the need of further protection of their industries.

The Canadians seem to be less hopeful of the permanence of our

THIS IS FOR YOU

The COURIER has on exhibition in the window of its office a magnificent \$400.00 Kimball piano.

It is to be given away absolutely free to one of its subscribers.

This piano was bought of the Eilers Piano House. It is one of the best makes in the world. It is worth all it cost. It is perfect in tone and workmanship. Do you want it?



HOW IT WILL BE DONE

The Courier has secured a magnificent pumpkin, raised on the farm of Mr. J. H. Lindsey. It is a perfect specimen and weighs more than 100 pounds. It, too, will, in a few days, be on exhibition in the Courier office.

We will cut the pumpkin January 1, 1904

On New Year's afternoon, and no guess or estimate will be received after twelve o'clock noon of that date. At that time the pumpkin will be turned over to a committee composed of the following well known agriculturists who will cut the pumpkin, count the seed, examine the estimates and award the piano to the person or persons who have made the correct or nearest correct estimate of the number of seed therein contained.

The names of the committee are— Hon. William Ganong, of Canemah. Hon. Thomas Turner, of Stafford. Hon. William H. Vaughan, of Molalla.

The Seed of a Pumpkin

Only such seed in the pumpkin will be counted as are fully developed. By a seed we accept the definition of Webster. It is something which has life and will grow if planted.

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A HOT TIP

There are many people who say they "don't know anything about the number of seed in a pumpkin," and these people are not what you would call "pumpkin heads" either.

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