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The mooted question is now no longer "How old is Ann?" but "Who stole the gambling bill?"

During his pursuit of the Indians in the swamps of Florida, an officer found General Jackson wading through the morass knee-deep, like a common soldier. "General," he asked, "what's become of your horse?" "A sick man is riding it," he replied, "we can't spare any men."

HENRY GEORGE, Jr., states in an article in the January Pearson's that the Standard Oil clique, in its manipulations of copper shares, obtained between seventy and eighty millions of Amalgamated Copper stock for which it paid not one cent out of its own pocket.

The year 1904 is born into the world this good Friday morning as we greet our readers. The old one was an important one in the world's history. Vast steps were taken in every department of human endeavor.

The road from Oregon City to Molalla is in an awful condition. It was only a few years ago when this road was a monument to the progressive spirit of Clackamas county, now it is a monument to the executive and business ability of the county court of Clackamas county.

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JACKSON'S DAY.

The 8th of January, Jackson's Day, is one of the most important in the annals of the Republic. Not alone because it is the anniversary of a great battle and a most brilliant victory won by American arms over "perfidious Albion," but also because the hero under whose leadership it was fought made a profound impression on the country which will remain as long as the union of states endures.

Let us briefly recount the main incidents of the battle of New Orleans. General Jackson's 6000 men, among them many backwoods riflemen from Kentucky and Tennessee, occupied a line of entrenchments a mile long protected in the rear by piles of cotton bales.

On the morning of January 8th, 1815, the English army moved against the American entrenchments. It advanced in two columns, each with a regiment in front carrying scaling ladders, while a strong reserve was left in the rear.

In less than half an hour, the engagement began and ended. The British lost 2600 men, killed, wounded and prisoners, the killed being about 800, while the loss of General Jackson's army was seven killed and six wounded.

Editorial Notes: Mr. Bryan has had an audience with the Czar of Russia. Some one has predicted that the German Emperor will eventually die.

After the sale of their lands the Philippine friars are going to leave the islands. Secretary Moody has issued orders to our naval officers not to shoot at the Colombians until they shoot first.

Secretary Root has given a list of General Wood's qualifications to be major general; chief among them seems to be that he is in the prime of life.

American typewriters, sewing machines and cash registers have paralyzed similar industries in Germany; and American shoes are rapidly doing the same.

"God forbid" exclaimed Senator Petrus in speaking of the Panama affair, "that this giant republic of ours should ever become too great to maintain its own honor."

Representative Williams, the Democratic leader of the House, has become an ardent champion of Canadian reciprocity; and he believes it will make a good campaign issue.

The defeated revolutionists in Santo Domingo are trying to induce our government to help them back in power, for which they are willing to grant us sovereignty over the anarchic republic.

The Democratic members of the Senate have decided to be bound by caucus rule, and the Republicans will now have to deal with a united minority under Senator Gorman's leadership.

A non-commissioned officer in Germany has just been sentenced to eight years' imprisonment for cruelty to recruits while the captain who permitted it was condemned to remain four weeks in his room.

During a hunt of two hours the German Kaiser killed nine deer and three wild boars. As is usual in these royal hunts, he took up a safe position in the forest and had the half tame animals driven past him.

Senator Hoar wrote recently to a woman's club that he thought women ought to be given the suffrage and that it would purify and exalt Republican government. This is rather a radical statement from a man who holds that the popular election of United States Senators would be revolutionary.

Our consul at Frankfurt, Germany writes that South Africa is a good market for condensed eggs. These eggs are prepared by removing their surplus water and adding water. They are sent to South Africa in hermetically closed boxes and can hardly be distinguished from fresh eggs.

sentative Williams. In the Senate they have decided to bind themselves to caucus rule, accepting as the party policy whatever it agreed upon by two-thirds of the caucus. The importance of this action should not be overlooked.

Whether they oppose the ratification of the treaty, or not, they have already exposed the questionable methods by which the Republican administration had obtained it. In this they received the aid of Republican Senator Hoar, whose bitter arraignment of his party's administration caused consternation in the Republican ranks, and brought him the congratulation of the Democrats.

Leader Williams has brought the House Democrats well under control and their opposition to the Republicans continues to be united. As advocates of "publicity" in the postal scandals and investigations they have been remarkably successful.

CANBY.

The Christmas exercises at the Methodist and the Christian churches were very good. Many useful and pretty presents were given.

Lee Eckerson, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Eccles, Otto Evans, and Emma Evans were Portland visitors this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Bair, and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Knight spent Christmas in Portland.

Several lads attended the Barlow dance and had a good time.

Art Knight, Blaine White and Otto Evans attended the Hubbard dance.

Mr. P. L. Coleman and son, Ralph, went back East Tuesday morning to visit the former's father who is seriously ill.

Mr. Clark who has been visiting friends in Canby the past week has returned to his work on the S. P. R. R.

Watch out for the wedding bells in Canby. They are all getting in tune.

Mrs. Kirk and Mabel and Hazel Boroughs are visiting friends in Portland.

Mrs. H. A. Dedman has returned from a month's visit at The Dalles.

Wm. Armstrong, who is employed by Woodward, Clark & Co., of Portland, spent Christmas with his mother in Canby.

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