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The way to build up Oregon City is to give Oregon City people your patronage.

CAUCUS BOLTING.

ventions the precedent for such action more vigorously upheld and advanced. It seems to be pretty well established here in needs no logical reasoning, a priori, to make Oregon. Col. Cornelius and D. P. Thomp- the connection apparent, to show all that son each owe their defeat for gubernatorial the cause of the increase in the standard of honors largely to men who participated in efficiency of our schools is the teachers' the conventions that nominated them, meetings. Yet there are teachers, too many Judge Waldo, a man whose candidacy was a of them, whom you never see present. credit to the republican party, was defeated These I must distinguish from the others by the bolting and treachery of Joseph Si- by the appellation of "cheap teachers," the mon, then chairman of the republican state only dark spot on a bright outlook, the re-

Even here in Clackamas county the teachers must look with a degree of pessimcrime of bolting is not unknown, for several ism. Why? Because they, to a certain exgood men have been defeated at the polls tent, tear down the school structure better by men who took part in the conventions teachers are trying to buil-i. They do this

The EXTERPRISE believes that the will of teaching for a small salary, thus lowering the majority should rule, and holds that a the standard of the calling, and because man should stand by the nominees he has very often they are young girls or boys who helped to make; but it does make one tired take up the work as a makeshift or are to hear H. W. Scott, Joseph Simon, and those absolute, fossilized "sticks," people several others of lesser note prate about the fifty years agone called "country school heinousness of bolting when they each have teachers" and who still vegetate in our and will do so again, bolt a caucus or con- backwoods districts. A teacher who is vention nomination whenever it best serves cheap in price must be cheap in quality.

has called attention to the fact that the age; an age in which the fittest only sucstate of Virginia imposes and attempts to ceed, and in order to be of the fittest, we, collect a similar tax. All incomes over as teachers, must be up with the age. This have had to pay to a wood merchant or go \$600 are assessed at the rate of 1 per cent, the energetic teacher can do only by approbut the resulting revenue has been very printing a portion of his salary to school anything but his trade. Finally be obtained small, about \$62,000 for the entire state. publications and school apparatus. If he Less than 2,000 persons claim to be subject doesn't be retrogrades anto the easy-going. to the tax, although an income of \$200 a good-for-nothing pedagogue, who intested year is considered small, and it would seem the globe in the days of lebabod, and who time—three days only each week. At this must be enjoyed by a very large majority may still be found in some of the schools of of the citizens of the Old Dominion. The our county. Hence the better teacher must be does not grown, knowing me employer cannot afford to do better by him. In every law has never been rigidly enforced, and have sufficient salary not only to amply rethe payment of the tax has been merely a munerate him for his services but also to do something on his premises that makes a a matter of choice on the part of superla- warrant a liberal expenditure for school lit- saving if it does not yield a profit. The tively honest people.

bleness is in allowing Joe Simon to draft in the privacy of his office a new charter for that city, and he is now pushing it through the legislature with every prospect of auccess, while the revised charter drawn up by the committee of one hundred is doomed to a premature death. Simon's charter makes several radical changes in the government of that city and legislates into office several men of his choice regardless of the wishes of the people.

For consistency the Oregonian is a jewel. That paper is now going into bysterics over the action of certain republicans in bolting the caucus and opposing Senator Dolph's re-election. Twelve years ago this winter this same paper denounced the caucus and commended the bolters in their opposition to John H. Mitchell who had received the caucus nomination, the result of the bolt being that J. N. Dolph was brought forward and elected United States senator and Mitchell was defeated. It makes all the difference in the world with H. W. Scott as to whose ox is being gonred.

An amendment to the state constitution of Washington, voted on and ratified at the last election, has gone into effect by the proclamation of Gov. McGraw. It amends section 5 of article 16 so as to read: " None of the permanent school fund of this state shall ever be loaned to private persons or corporations, but it may be invested in national, state, county, municipal or school district bonds." It would be well if Oregon had such a law. The funds would be much safer than now, and if school district bonds were given the preference it would help out districts in their financial affairs.

THE bonded debt of Portland now amounts to \$54.00 per capita of its population. Portland has been rather lavish in her expenditures, but most of them will fully repay the money invested, especially water bonds.

THE February meeting of the board of expected of the members.

Oregon City Enterprise. The Pacific Meat Company of Tacoma must be admitted that he has capacity suffi- given to them. No doubt our man feels an will erect at that place the largest pork pack- cient to see through a skimmer—when it is honest pride that he has been willing to a reliable market for their hogs.

followers of its impracticable teachings.

THE Oregonian says: "At last Cleveland question." Shades of Napoleon! What a stand the use of the formula given her for swelled head,-Portland Chronicle.

THE CHEAP TEACHER.

To THE EDITOR: - In the eternal fitness of be an element in whom the faculty of selfbelieve themselves an inferior class, their labor an inferior labor, their productions inferior productions-not worth, in a pecuniary sense, as much as the labor and products of others. In all callings we find this class, and it may be truthfully said that as a class they are right in their conclusions. Just as the employe of the manufacturer has the cheap alien laborer to contend with, have our teachers the cheap teacher to contend with. Such teachers are the non-progressive element in the schools of Clackamas county-the retarding agency so apparent to our better teachers, It is a common expression among those

aging progress in the last two years, that the per cent, of attendance, the average enrollment, and the averago age of pupils have method of obtaining the yellow metal; greatly increase. Without doubt this is frue. At the same time it may be noticed that the interest in the monthly teachers' Speaking about bolting caucuses and con- association has greatly increased, that it is tarding factor, at which our progressive by their incompetency for the work, by The active, wide awake teacher must have money, and to spare, if he keep abreast of erature. Consequently he is not found where a miserly salary is paid. There has the effort to reduce the burdens of the taxpayer, the schools have suffered. This is not true economy. When we hire cheaper teachers we certainly lower the standard of siders his work professional work for which this detestable practice, he merits the contempt of those who try to be true teachers. There should be no place for him in the teachers' meeting or in the school. We

want the best teachers, not the cheapest. The best teacher will do the school more good in five months than the cheapest will in ten months. The most stable governments today are those in which education is most free. When we increase the efficiency of our schools we make more stable our government. A republic is not a safe government for an unenlightened people. Democracy depends upon education; autocacy upon ignorance. Our teachers then are potent factors in determining the security of the nation. Let us fill our schools precept and example to teach love of our country and flag and a knowledge of its laws. This we can do by raising the standard of the teacher's qualifications, and by generous yet judicious expenditure in the school's behalf. School officers should set the salary they are able to pay, then secure the best teacher they can for the money. And when some detestable nonentity in the calling, who has by some crook obtained a certificate, comes around and offers to take FINIS.

read your letter addressed to Mr. William to contemplate. the Port of Portland and the Bull Run Barlow and published in the ENTERPRISE. But to my story: it points a lesson. The it is either too shallow or too profound for not be thought a boaster. He simply did his my understanding. On one point only I duty, as have hundreds of other men in and trade will take place next Monday evening. think I get a glimpse of your meaning. No sround the city, while other hundreds, In addition to the annual election of officers doubt your deep researches and lucid ex- with more strength and means to start with, several important matters will be brought planations of "the people's party side of have waited for luck to come to them, and

two meat companies of Portland have been peer through the populist akimmer to dis- a pauper in his old age. The inference i packing on a small scale and are planning cover something beyond, his vision becomes would draw from his course is that every to enlarge their establishments another year blurred, and he is reminded of an old lady s able bodied man in Oregon City and vicinand to go into the pork packing business on directions for testing the quality of indigo: ity can, if he so wills, find something to do a large scale. Oregon farmers will yet have "Good or bad indigo," said she, "will either by which he may earn an honest living for NINE out of ten of the republicans of tum, knew just how to select good indigo but with health and strength it is his own Clackamas county favor the retention of in conformity with the directions given; but fault if he and his family suffer. I do not silver in our monetary system. The other all was blue with the wash maid who was lose sight of the fact that there has tenth read only the Oregonian and are blind sent to purchase that article. She under- come over us a great change from prosperjob that went through her hands, but her in-

testing the quality of indigo. You see, my good friend, the fix I am in. I lack the capacity to understand, much less to criticise and explain away the subtleties of your profound money dissertation. things, it seems that it has been ruled that Besides, come to think of it, it isn't a job among the genus homo there must always that I should perform. I believe in every traitors to principle and waits for the govhunter skinning his own game-if he wants exaltation is so little developed that they to; and I would not presume to usurp a right which belongs exclusively to our mupay for the trouble.

But I do want to tell you a little story which may serve to illustrate a point which populists generally do not seem to underatand. But before telling the story I must quote a couple of lines from your "open letter." You ask, "How do you get \$100 in gold now?" and then you answer your own question by saying, "By giving a mortgage on your land." This, though addressed to Mr. Barlow personally, is intended, of course, to apply not to one person alone, those familiar with the facts that the schools | but to the usual method of obtaining gold. of our county have made the most encour- It is right her- where I thought I had obtained a glimpse of your meaning, and my story is to show another and quite different

I am well acquainted with a man who settied in the outskirts of this city just seven years ago. He was then nearly 70 years of age. His capital all told was about \$350, cash, a little plain furniture, and sufficient clothing and bedding to barely make comfortable himself, wife and daughter. He had always been an industrious worker, and how he became so poor at an advanced age is of no interest to any one but himself. It is sufficient that he never squandered his With this small capital this acquaintance thereon 24x25 and an "L" 12x16 feet. To stores. this he afterwards added a good wood house 14x16. His means did not permit him to at once finish the house, and he had to move in when it was a mere shell. For nearly two years thereafter he could not obtain steady employment at his trade, only getting a job occasionally at the rate of 15 cents per the reduction in price. But when not thus employed be spent the time in digging out the big stumps on his acre, preparing the ground for, and and finest assortment ever brought to planting out, berries, fruit trees, etc., and in working for his neighbors, hoeing and digging potatoes, and doing other light farm work, getting therefor ten "bits" a day and THE enactment of a national income tax our fin de siecle times. We live in a fast on Miss Mollie Holmes's wood lot (she gave For meekness and lamblike submission salaries the past year. Well and good, times salaries the past year. Well and good, times family, all the fresh berries and small fruits have been hard, and it has been necessary they want, besides selling considerable quantities and canning enough to last them until fruits and berries come again. A good well under roof stands at the side of the house. Instead of the old rotten rail fence the schools. The days when anybody could the walls of the house are plastered and neatly papered and painted—the wife doing he must thoroughly fit himself. Hence the sides purchasing with her own earnings an be the true teacher. As he underbids he and a parlor organ for her daughter. All is ample supply of house furnishing goods plain, of course, but for genuine comfort the little home equals the costliest palace.

It has taken work to accomplish this, but more is to be added, and here comes in the point of my story: In these seven years, two of them years of depression and hard times, the man I am speaking of and his wife have managed not only to build up a property now worth \$1500, but are free from debt and have been able to save, not "\$100 in gold," but three times that sum, and have it placed In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for where it is drawing 6 per cent, interest. Had business continued as favorable as it was two years ago the sum would easily To Burl Conger, above named defendant:

have been five hundred instead of three.

Just think of it—an old couple, one of them at least on the verge of the grave, earning and hoarding up gold—(that article which you, Mr. Miller, call a "thief and a har")—and thus aping, as far as they can, the wicked folly of the "gold bugs"! Poor, inanimate, yellow stuff!—if it were only a living, breathing, sentient being, how awful it would feel to have such epithets poured upon its head—and from such a source, too.—a crystal stream from a populist fountain.

To Burl Cenger, above named defendant:
In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby summoned and required to be and spear in the above entitled suit and court on or sold court, to—it. the 16th day of April A. D. 1895, and answer the complaint filed against you in the shove entitled suit, and if you fall to so allower the plaintiff will apoly to the court for tract now existing between plaintiff and defendant herein. You are further notified that this summons in this anit is served upon you by publication by order, dated November 9, 1894, of Hon T. A. McBirlde, Judge of said court.

L. I. PORTER, Atty. for Plaintiff.

Dated Jan. 25, 1895. with active, professional teachers, able by earning and hoarding up gold-(that article Its very eyes would weep blood, and its breast heave with groans of agony. To yield to its owner six per cent. per annum when the county of Clackames, se the school for less, they should kick him off the greasy, fiat, rag article might be had for two, and then to be loaned out again at a still higher premium, and be scattered

up for consideration. A full attendance is the money question" are perfectly intelligi- are now asking for the creation of someble to the mind of the average populist. It thing that would not buy their bread if

ing plant on the Coast. The building will full of holes. But so it is not with the av-be 250 feet square and cost \$30,000. The erage republican. When he attempts to an honest penny and thus avoid becoming sink or swim in cold or warm water." Of himself and family. He may not in all incourse she, and all who relied on her dic- stances be able to store up for the future, stood the art of washing, and the best use ity to depression. He who meets it with a of the hard dollar she received for every brave heart is the one who will help to restore prosperity, and show how a man may has accepted its advice on the financial tellect never towered high enough to under- obtain both gold and aliver without giving a mortgage on anything more than his will and muscles.

He who sits on the ragged edge of a nail keg in a country store from day to day, squirts tobacco juice on a hot stove, ridicules the infirmities of his neighbors, damns Dolph and those who vote for him, lauds ernment to loan him rag money, is the man who, if there were enough of him, would clog every wheel of machinery, block all the tual friend William Barlow. It remains avenues of wealth, become an excresence for him to decide whether the pelt would on the body of society, and finally slough off into the "last ditch," a victim of his own cussedness and conceit.

Rest assured, Mr. Miller, there is an honest way of obtaining \$100 of either gold or sil-And it is honest money when so ob tamed, and bears not the stamp of "thief and liar" on its face. Every man who works finds it, and if he has a little surplus he knows it is a good article to salt down and keep in store against the days when heart and flesh shall fall him. If he has no work, rag or flat money will not help him Government does not and never will care for its poor in that way. Yours truly,

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AN OPEN LETTER TO G. R. H. MILLER.

MR. G. R. H. MILLER—I have carefully read your letter addressed to Mr. William Barlow and published in the Entrapraise. Barlow and published in the Entrapraise. Taken in all its parts I have to confess that it is either too shallow or too profound for your deep researches and lucid explanations of "the people's party side of the money question" are perfectly intelligation to the money question" are perfectly intelligation to the money question" are perfectly intelligation.

AN OPEN LETTER TO G. R. H. MILLER.

Attil bigher premium, and be scattered around among laboring men—some of it perchance passing through the hands of the profession of the man of whom I have been writing, would to contemplate.

But to my story: it points a lesson. The man of whom I have been writing, would this is either too shallow or too profound for your deep researches and lucid explanations of "the people's party side of the money question" are perfectly intelligation to the third would not buy their bread if To Annie E. Quick, said defendant:

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