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We wish all our readers a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Last year Bryan carried Kansas by 13,000 votes. The vote this year shows a republican gain of something like 33,000. At the recent election every congressional district in the state gave a republican majority, and that party elected 407 out of 683 county officers. Populism seems to have about run its race in Kansas.

Tomorrow is Christmas, the day looked forward to by all as one to be spent in recreation and pleasure, in commemoration of the birth of one now recognized by all the nations of the earth. It should be a day of great rejoicing in all Christian lands, since by the Savior's coming the light of day shines upon all God's people.

It has been suggested that a ton of cancelled mortgages would be an interesting exhibit at the Trans-Mississippi congress to be held in Omaha, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri could no doubt supply the greater part of the ton, while any number of other states could be represented. Perhaps the year that this exhibit would be made in his own town is what induced Mr. Bryan to take a trip to Mexico.

And so Barkley is to be a candidate for congress in the first district. Nothing could be more fitting. Barkley has more ability than Vanderberg and consequently would be better able to defend his reasonable acts in the last legislature. By all means let the names of both Barkley and U'Ben appear on the state ticket. They would fittingly represent their following and the people would have a chance to sit in judgment upon their past records.

It has been suggested that inasmuch as there are existing differences on personal grounds between certain republicans of this county that all factions get together for the purpose of an amicable settlement of these differences if possible. No doubt these personal matters have been largely aggravated by reports carried from one to another which, in such cases always grow as they are passed along, and by the time they return to the starting point could not be recognized by the alleged author. Republicans do not seriously differ as to the object sought but rather as to the means through which that object may be attained. Every fair minded man who has reason to believe he has been wronged ought to be willing for the one whom he accuses to explain the matter; not to allow every prattling tongue to work upon his prejudices. It is a duty every man owes to his fellow that when he has reason to believe he has been wronged to meet the person accused and come to a fair, unprejudiced understanding which would not result in the injury of either. A failure to do this is an evidence of bad faith on the part of he who refuses. The principles of the republican party are greater than any man or set of men and it is not right that these principles should be defeated by the obstinacy of any individual. When a good citizen is shown that he has spoken ill of another he is willing to make amends. These are plain words, but we believe them applicable to the present situation in Clackamas county.

A meeting of the legislative hold-up clans was held at McMinnville last Saturday. It was the meeting of the state central committee of the populist, democratic and union bi-metallic parties—the same parties that prevented the organization of the last legislature—the object being to form a coalition for the purpose of capturing the offices at the next state election. Each of these organizations pretended to represent separately, a great principle, else why would these separate and distinct party organizations be maintained? The Enterprise has all along contended that all there was to populism was for the leaders to hold office, and the contention has never been more clearly proven than in this instance where the three parties have laid aside their respective principles and banded themselves together with one object in view, namely, to develop strength in the elections. Their principles count for nothing; it is votes they want. These three elements have no principles to carry out after they are elected, as was shown by them in the last legislature. They promised the people all things before election, just as they are now doing, but after election did they attempt to have enacted any of the remedial legislation advo-

cated in the campaign? Not only did they refuse to make good their promises but they also refused to allow any other party to enact legislation for the benefit of the taxpayers. They refused absolutely to even take the oath of office during the forty days session, and why? Because they represented no principle save that of delivering themselves after the purchase price had been paid. Their object first, last and all the time is to howl catwally and hold office. Principles cut no figure.

The Oregonian suggests that in case of a general war in Europe the United States take the part of England and later, as a reward, demand the British possessions on this continent. It might be alright for this government to acquire the territory north of us, but for the sake of so doing we could ill afford to enter the entanglements of a general war in Europe and oppose all the other nations save England. Besides it is not certain that Great Britain assisted by the United States could subdue the world, and if so we would then need the help of some of the other nations to make England give up Canada. England is not of the giving up disposition, as history has already indicated. Her policy is to acquire more instead of parting with that already possessed.

WE ARE KNOWN ABROAD.

On November 23rd the Enterprise contained an article to the effect that Dr. W. E. Carl, as a member of the Oregon City school board, had caused two sterilizing ovens to be made at his own expense and put in the school buildings, giving a brief description of each. The article in question reached the sanctum of the Sacramento Record-Union and brings forth the following editorial comment from that influential journal:

"At Oregon City the other day the school board, on the advice of a physician who is a member of the board, that every day all the pencils and pen holders used by the school children in each school building shall be gathered together and fumigated, because the board had been convinced by its medical member that contagious and infectious diseases are carried and transmitted in germ form by those simple vehicles. "This may appear to be carrying the disinfection idea to the extreme and making a fool of it. But what are we to say to those skilled men, whose duty it is to know and who tell us that disease is transmitted to our children through such mediums? Is it sufficient answer to say that in the years gone our fathers and grandfathers and their progenitors went to the country school and chewed quill ends, and sucked pencil tops, and handled in all sorts of ways all manner of old fashioned pen and pencil holders, and none of them came to harm by reason of such uncleanly practices? "How do we know that they did not suffer for these things? How are we to know that many of them did not take severe punishment for ignorance of sanitary laws? Indeed, do we not know that our fathers and mothers before us suffered very bitterly where we are spared, simply because we know that diphtheria must be fought as we contest with small pox; that it must be quarantined, the patient sequestered, the funerals of its victims be unattended save by necessary burial officers. "We know what are the benefits of correct drainage, that wells must not be sunk below house drains, privies and stables; that decaying vegetable matter induces zymotic diseases; that typhoid fever comes to us through water drinking, not through the air we breathe, and so on through a long list of things experience and science have taught us of which our great grandparents were ignorant, and for want of which knowledge they must have suffered? "Are we prepared to say, therefore, that the Oregon City school board has gone to the extreme in ordering school pencils and pen holders to be fumigated to their complete disinfection daily? We can easily understand how these simple utensils can become the means of carriage for germs of disease, common carriers indeed, since they pass about freely, from hand to hand, not to say mouth to mouth, in the schools. The Oregonian calls attention to the fact that a dreadful outaneous disease that was widely spread a few years ago among school children was traced directly to the clay used in modeling in the schools. It was handled by all the art pupils, worked by them over and over again, and thus became the vehicle for transmission of disease germs developed upon a single hand. "Of course there is no reason why children in schools should not be required to care for their own pencils and penholders, yet it is simply impossible for any teacher in a graded school to wholly prevent the passage of these articles from hand to hand. Where the department furnishes the articles, as most departments do, it is not excessive exaction to require it to keep the goods deanly. Oregon City is not alone in her precautionary methods. In Indiana it has long been the rule to disinfect not only the articles used by the school children in school, but to regularly fumigate the schoolrooms, and to devote special attention to the cleanliness of all school furniture. "In that state every school house has a disinfecting or sterilizing oven, very simple in construction and costing but a trifle. It is brought to the proper degree of heat, dry or moist, as may be required, the small articles are placed in the oven, and after the lapse of the proper time they are taken out, and that is all there is to it. This sterilizing process informs the children upon the subject of transmission of disease, and sets up the inquiry why we should be clean and what dirt and uncleanness bring in their train, and how we proceed to prevent disease from spreading. "Just as long as measles, diphtheria, scarlet fever, whooping cough, mumps, catarrh, eczema and salt rheum threaten our children, we can afford by simple precautionary measures to protect them from assault so far as their attendance in the public schoolroom is concerned.

TIME WORKS WONDERS.

A journal which opposes the annexation of Hawaii quotes Daniel Webster as asking in discussing the proposition to establish government over the territory acquired from Mexico: "What do we want with that vast worth-

less area? To what use could we ever hope to put those great deserts?"
When Daniel Webster discussed the acquisition of new territory it was always with the question in his mind as to its bearing upon the spread of slavery. Webster opposed the annexation of Texas and a few years later voted to admit California into the Union as a free state. He had no objection to the acquisition of territory that could not become a bone of contention between the slave states and the spirit which he saw rising in the North with the demand that there should be no extension of slavery. Believing, as most men living in his day did, that a war between slavery and anti-slavery would result in the dissolution of the Union, he opposed every measure that seemed likely to influence public feeling in the two sections.

To a later generation, which has seen the New South take the place of the old, and rebuild its homes on the ruins of its peculiar institutions, it may be difficult to comprehend the fear which guided the course of the conservative statesmen of that day. Webster died ten years before the war broke out. He died believing that war might be prevented. Compared to what was endangered by the proposition to acquire new territory, the entire Pacific coast seemed worthless. There was a great country east of the Mississippi, to the education of which in devotion to the Union he had devoted the best years of his life. In his belief, when he opposed the acquisition of new territory he was simply opposing the dissolution of the Union.

Webster, great statesman that he was, never comprehended the richness of the Pacific territory and the future that it promised. Statesmen of today oppose the acquisition of Hawaii, yet those islands might prove correspondingly valuable in the future.

DURRANT has again been sentenced to hang. This time the date has been set down for January 7. Let us hope that on the above date the greatest farce of the age, save and except the 1897 session of the Oregon legislature, will be brought to a close. In the case of Durrant the courts have been toyed with to an astonishing degree and the ends of justice thwarted for more than two years, principally because the people of San Francisco have been educated up to the sensational rather than the real, and largely because a few lawyers have been over zealous in their desire to establish a world-wide reputation at the sacrifice of justice. Had the murder for which Wachlin was convicted in Hillsboro last week been committed in San Francisco there is little doubt that he would have been paraded before the public as an innocent man for many months. San Francisco thrives on sensations, its newspapers make a specialty of sensational matters, and her courts of justice are imposed upon that the whims of the sensationally inclined lawyers may be gratified. It is to be hoped the end of all this fuss and feathers is near at hand.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

(Gervais Star.)
Among the several changes noted in the newspapers of Oregon is the new dress and heading of the Roseburg Review and Portland Sunday Welcome. If we were called upon to name the three best country newspapers in the state we would say Roseburg Review, Medford Mail and Enterprise, Oregon City.

(Grants Pass Observer.)
The friends of silver are becoming fewer and fewer. Senator Stewart has told the people that they may as well fall in line and get their share of prosperity, as it is useless to talk silver now; ex-Governor Altgeld has dropped silver, and is said to be organizing a paper money party, and ex-Governor Botes has denounced the 16 to 1 proposition as suicidal, in view of the great discrepancy between the coinage ratio and the commercial ratio of silver. Many other democrats, being greenbackers at heart, have advocated free silver as simply a stepping stone to true fiatism, and now that free silver is becoming so unpopular they are gradually dropping it.

(Eugene Register.)
Of all neglected crops in Oregon our apples are the greatest sufferers. There is no state nor country that can compare with the Pacific coast in apple culture, and yet our crop is hardly known to commerce. Thousands of bushels are going to waste in the orchards of Lane county today, with not even hogs to use them, while buyers are scouring the valley for apples worth shipping. Nearly 50 car loads have been shipped from the neighborhood of Grants Pass and a good profit realized on every bushel. One cent per pound has been offered in Lane county but not enough wholesome apples can be found here to pay for shipping green. A choice quality of good, red cheeked apples, free from blemishes, can always be depended upon to bring good prices, and the fact that proper precautions are not taken first in selecting marketable varieties for setting, and secondly in fighting insect pests. Orchardists must lead a more vigorous campaign against our fruit enemies. There is no lack of thorough instruction in this matter, and the experience of years now has impressed upon us the importance of making an effective fight. Oregon apples should be world renowned and proper vigilance would make them so.

(Grants Pass Observer.)
Bryan said last year that no country could be prosperous whose exports exceeded its imports, which in a measure is true, and if he was able to figure just a little he would be compelled to now say we are returning to prosperity for in the four months ending Oct. 31, our imports amounted to about \$200,000,000 while our exports footed up \$300,000,000 which leaves a balance in our favor of about \$100,000,000. The total exports for September and October for five years or since Harrison left the White House, and notwithstanding the imports are falling off and our exports increasing still the treasury has more money in it than at any time during Cleveland's administration, except immediately after he would sell bonds to replenish it. All this reveals the truth, which cannot be controverted by the enemies of good government, that the business of our country

is in a more settled condition and upon a much firmer basis than it has been for years, and it affords emphatic reasons for adherence to a party whose wise legislative policy can produce such marked changes within so short a term of power.

(Tacoma Ledger.)
During the last days of the Ohio campaign, Mr. Bryan was called there to try and save something from the wreck. In the few counties where he put in his hardest blows the republicans received increased majorities, and no wonder. Among other statements Mr. Bryan made this one, that "the first six months of the McKinley administration were the worst in the history of this country," and that there had been no improvement since McKinley's inauguration. It is not surprising that such foolishness as that should turn votes the other way among sensible people who live in Ohio and have seen the mills start, the money come from its hiding places and go into circulation, with thousands of more men employed at advanced wages. All these things have happened since and because of McKinley's election. Large crops in this country and short crops in Europe have aided in the conditions, but it is only an incident in the general improvement.

(Topeka Capital.)
What does high priced cattle and hogs mean? Simply that more people east of the Mississippi river are eating meat. Why? Because they are earning wages. They are at work. The people who were employed under that tariff are getting higher wages. What caused the change? Faith of business men, capitalists, employers of labor and money, in the republican party and its well tried tariff policy. The tariff nothing to do with it? It has everything to do with it. Canadian eggs and chickens are shut out on the north and Mexican cattle on the south. The American market for the American farmer, is the republican principle, and it is working, as it always has worked, for the welfare of the nation. Pauper labor is shut out. Pauper-made goods are shut out. The American market is reserved for the American laboring man and the American farmer, and both are realizing the benefits of this patriotic business like policy, tested and vindicated by American history for more than 50 years. The Kansas farmer gives away cattle, hogs, corn, wheat, hay, eggs, butter and milk in every vote he gives for Bryanism, populism or fusion. It is bad business. No level headed farmer will permit the calamity orators for free silver and free trade to deceive him again and induce him by specious but false promises to vote away his own property and prosperity.

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