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IT The way to build up Oregon City gon City for the present. is to give Oregon City People your Patronage.

all.

Fos some time the Enterprise has been in some financial trouble but never to the extent that has been represented by its "friends." During this time the nominal proprietor has been L. L. Porter. In the last few days he has made arrangements by which he has become the sole owner of the paper, and all its financial obligations have peen straightened out. In doing this he has been assisted by about a dozen of the leading republicans of the county and state, they recognizing that the Enterprise was the only republican paper in the county. The Enterprise was the only paper in the county to support the republican ticket last June and that is as good a criterion as we know of in testing the republicanism of a paper.

prietor of the Oregon City Herald and

a position on the Enterprise. While a great many of Mr. Bryan's admirers Mr. Fitch is in no way identified with are fearing that his desire for an "isaue" the editorial or business management of has run away with his judgment on the this paper, yet his services in the local question of national expansion. And and job department can but add to the upbuilding and local interests of the Enterprise. There may be those who fence, Colonel Bryan would now be would criticise him for procuring em- shouting for "imperialtsm,"

ployment on a republican paper, but now that he has decided to abandon, for night, Mr. Bryan announced that he had the present, running a newspaper on his resigned from the army for the express own account, the man who would deny purpose of opposing the proposed inhim the right to procure employment in crease in the regular army. General order to sustain himself and family would Miles has advised that the army be inabandon to cruel fate their own loved creased to a basis of one man for each ones. Mr. Fitch made an aggressive 1000 population. That would give the fight for the people's party during his United States an army of about 70.000 editorial career in this city and gained at men. President McKinley is in favor least the respect of his opponents. With of anticipating to some extent the growth the disintegration, of the people's party, of population, and would have now a which has been largely absorbed by the standing army of 100,000 men. Condemocratic party, in which h+, in com- gress will probably take the conservative mon with many other populists placed view, and agree with General Miles.

thinks he detects a great danger to the sought or a ray of hope for future effort, nation. He fears that in some way 70,-While we are glad to know that the 000 men are going to intumidate and opdire calamaties he so often predicted for press 15,000,000 American voters. Mr. this country, should Mr. McKinley be Bryan seems to entertain a pretty low elected, have failed to materialize, yet we, opinion of the spirit and courage of the in common with many republicans in 18,000,000 or 20,000,000 Americans who this county, bear him no malice and are are old enough to shoulder a rifle.

THE coming session of the state legis--to indicate that we have entered upon lature promises to be a lively one and a career of conquest?" That sounds A starry and successful New Year to there will be opportunity for much work fine, but it will not endure analysis. Let The pressure for local appropriations will us face the truth, and stop prating about be greater than ever before but the dis- Quaker-like qualities which we do not position of a large majority of the mem- possess and never have possessed. Let bers is to materially reduce the general us be candid and admit that the United appropriation bill. Probably the most States, from Key West to Alaska, was hotly fought matter will be the school built on conquest. For three centuries text book question. Other important the American people have been wrestquestions which will wrack the brains ing this vast domain, mile by mile, from and enlist the attention of our law the native races. What else was that makers are: A maximum freight-rate but conquest? What else but conquest bill; the regulation of foreign and do- gave us Texas and California? mestic insurance companies doing busi-

ness in the state; new laws relative to United States haul down its flag in the the assessment and taxation, and an in- Philippines, and leave the natives to se come tax law effecting a certain class of up a free government of their own. The corporations. There is also a strong suggestion is absurd. The Philipinos sentiment in favor of a law creating the are children, and what is more unfortuoffice of county attorney for each county nate they are children who cannot be instead of, as at present, having one at- left to themselves. Dewey and Merritt torney for each district, who appoints a understand the Filipinos much better deputy in each county in his district. It than they are understood by Mr. Bryan, thought the new plan will reduce ex- and Dewey and Merritt found it obligapenses. The fishing laws will again be tory to array a torce of arms against up for amendment and a committee from them to prevent them from rushing in We have destroyed the Spanish government in the Philippines, and civilization will demand that we shall substitute something better. The question has ceased to be debatable. We are there with our army and navy, and there we must stay. Mr. Bryan might as well go on the stump and argue that the north wind should not blow .- Spokesman Review, (Populist.)

Mr. Bryan is a born controversialist,

who, after selling out his interest in this and withal a speaker of great eloquence. city, went to Vancouver. Wash., has re- Now the orator likes to be heard and the turned to Oregon City and has accepted debater is fond of a controversy, and some will suspect that if President Me-Kinley had taken the other side of the

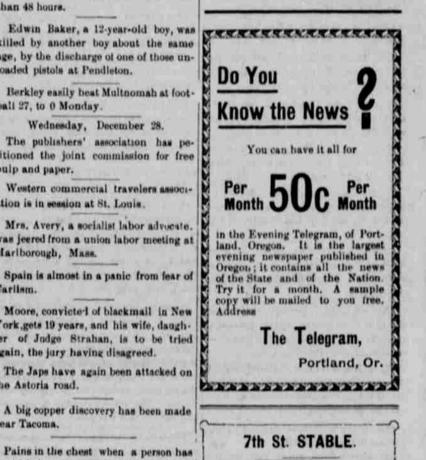
In his address at Lincoln Friday

In this moderate increase, Mr. Bryan misplaced confidence, he found left no chance of securing reforms he had

> Turning to the question of retaining the Philipines, Mr. Bryan says: "Shall

we add a new star, the blood star-Mars

Mr. Bryan says he would have the



EUROPE, and especially England, is astonished at the great strides America is making in commerce and finance. The balance of trade is so enormous in our favor that the English have become alarmed. They no longer attempt to control the iron trade and their competition in this line is getting weaker each year. In finance, for the first time in history, the nations of Europe are seeking loans in America and the time is here when New York will be a factor, and a large one, in the great monetary affairs of the world, and she will rank with London, Paris, Amsterdam and Berlin in the importance of her financial affairs.

ATTENTION is called to the call for a mass meeting to be held in Clackamas precinct for the purpose of selecting a road supervisor, by popular choice, in accordance with the order made by the county court. Several precincts have already made their selections. The plan, we believe, is a good one, but a a still better plan would be to amend the mail from New York by the changes law so as to provide for the election of made in the mail service. road supervisors at the general elections. The Clackamas county delegation will probably offer and support such a measure at the coming session.

power to open Asia to the trade of west- pay required. It is guaranteed to give ern civilization. She not only is build- perfect satisfaction or money refunded. ing the great Siberian railway, but she For sale by Charman & Co., Charman to get into form those annual good is building others to the frontier of In- Bros. Block. Price 25c. dia and Persia. In fact her roads will be built into the latter country where Russia's influence is becoming the domicoming century.

the earth, accurately.

the local fishermen's association will and looting Manila. seek to have the laws made more favorable to Willamette river fishermen.

glad to know that he is to remain in Ore-

THE O. & R. N. has authorized nine branch lines in the Idaho country while the N. P. is after the same traffic. 'This will make railroad building lively in that section the coming year. At the same time both the Borlington and the Rock Island wish to get an outlet to the North Pacific coast. The increase of commerce in the Pacific is attracting the attention of the railroads as well as the politicians.

THE rejected volunteers will be soon paid as the rolls are about completed. The legislature at the recent session made provision for the payment of these men for the time they were out. The boys from Oregon City will get \$22,50

PORTLAND will gain 14 hours in getting

Bucklen's Arnica Salve. The best salve in the world for Cuts. Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Erup-RUSSIA is doing more than any other tions, and positively cures Piles or no

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject,

drug store.

JOSEPH CHOATE, the foremost lawyer of the nation will, in all probability, be sent to the Court of St. James early in January, taking the place made vacant by Secretary of State Hay.

BRYAN is going to make his campaign on the basis of anti-expansion and no increase in the army. It is queer that he does not still educate the people on the money question.

THE past year is beyond parallel in the volume of business transacted and the promise for the future.

AEMIRAL DEWEY is now senior officer of the American navy, caused by the retirement of Admiral Bunce.

Now is the proper and accepted time resolutions

The Greater Army.

Under the provisions of the bill for is narrated by him as follows: "I was the increase of the army the regular nant one. Central Asia will be opened in a most dreadful condition. My skin force will consist of 3942 commissioned to trade more by these roads than by the was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue officers and 96,815 enlisted men, making sesports of China. The slav will dom- coated, pain continually in back and a total of 100,757 men in all. There sides, no appetite-gradually growing will be one lieutenant-general, six mainate a large part of Asia during the weaker day by day. Three physicians jor-generals, 24 brigadier-generals, 114 had given me up. Fortunately, a friend colonels, 156 lieutenant-colonels, 447 maadvised "Electric Bitters," and to my jors, 1053 captains, 1401 first lieutenants. Tax triangulation of the 39th parallel great joy and surprise, the first bottle The total enlisted strength of each arm from New Jersey to, Northern Califor- made a decided improvement I continued will be: Infantry, 53,220 men; light nia has just been completed. It took their use for three, weeks and am now field and coast artillery, 20,598 men; nia has just been completed. It took a well man. I know they sayed my life, cavalry, 15,840 men; medical depart-twenty-five years to do the work and is and robbed the grave of another victim." ments, 3750; signal corps, 630; ord-nance department, 605; engineers, 1862; done to determine the figure and size of 50 r ats per bottle at Charman & Co's. subsistence department, 160; and the quartermaster's department, 150.

Clatskanie has run the Japs, working oo the railroad, out of town.

Monday, December 26. The American troops will patrol Havana after January 1st.

The register of the land office at Nulato, Alaska, is mining.

The jury did not agree in the trial of Fayne Strahan Moore, for blackmail. She is the daughter of the late Judge

Strahan.

An unknown schooner is ashore near Elk Creek.

A Dominion surveyor is frozen to death on the Klondike.

The canal when built will probably b fortified.



incy of spirit. "Jauffered for over a year." says Mrs. Williams. "with indigestion and nervous prostration. I was unable to est or aleep. I tried several phys-iclans, but they only helped me for a short time. A friend advised me to take Dr. Pierce's Ravorite Prescription. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Dis-covery and 'Peliets.' I commenced taking the medicines last May. Took three bottles of the 'Pavorite Prescription.' three vials of the 'Pel-ieta,' and am now feeling better than I have for two years. Have a good appetite, sleep well, and do not suffer from indigestion or nervous-ness. I have gained seven and a half pounds the three three medicines. I have recom-

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