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SENATOR GEO, C. BROWNELL

At a picnic at Canby last Saturday, State Senator George C. Brown- ing the people of every county conell announced that he would be a stituting this Land District. Prom- of the country press is not worthy candidate to succeed himself at the ise after promise has been made that of the laudation mentioned. election to be held next June.

In thus announcing his candidacy and inaugurating his campaign, made available for a public build- serving of warm approbation and Senator Brownell must necessarily ing in this city but as yet there is cordial local support; but when we submit to the people his record. We would ask what has it been in the And now to cap the climax, free de- tiate we must discriminate. There past and what does the future prom- livery of mail is denied the city al- is a scale of the country press, runise? And in criticizing the Sena- though every requirement of the pos- ning from do all up through re, mi, tor and his record, the Enterprise tal laws, essential to the securing of fa, sol, la, si, up to do again-all the bears no malice towards that gentle- this service, has been complied with, way from A to Izzard.-Portland man whose continued manipulation | It is provided in the postal laws | Journal. of Clackamas county politics is, that when the population of a city however, a matter of indifference to reaches 10,000 or the gross receipts this paper. But we propose to pub- of an office exceed \$10,000 then the lish the facts for the information of postoffice department "may" estabthe voters of Clackamas county.

dealer inspire confidence and the quired \$10,000. unanimous support of the party he ery honorable voter.

bit of legislation for which he is in presenting the matter before the hears. Speaking of the reciprocity actually responsible, that has operat- post office authorities at Washing- convention which meets in Chicago ed in the interest of the common peo- ton. But if protests and petitions next week, it says that the call for it testations, but there is a deplorable Land Office removal, we may as well cattle dealers, who want wider mardeficiency in net results. His elec- sit back and fold our hands and say kets for the dressed and salted meats a tion has always been materially aid- we like the situation as it is now turned out by the packing houses." ed by the influences of the railroads presented. and allied interests. The hireling of corporate interests, what may be expected of him by the common people whose interests he must necessarily oppose. Measure after measure of remedial legislation relating to corporations and calculated to relieve the burden of the individual tax payer by enhancing the state's revenues, have at each session of the gislature been quietly consigned to a mysterious burying ground by committees to which they had been referred and of which the Clackamas county senator was either chairman or a prominent member.

What is the natural consequence? The rate of taxation in this county has for a number of years been exceedingly high. And who has been paying the bulk of the taxes? The producer. The monied interests have been assessed on a minimum basis, considering the large capital invested.

Senator Brownell's announcement that he will be a candidate to succeed himself was not unexpected even following the positive declaration a them in Oregon. The week through short time before that under no cir- "ye editor" can find no news worth cumstances would be again ask for printing, has not ideas worth prethe office at the hands of a long-suf- senting; month after month, year fering constituency. It was generally after year. There are specimens of believed he would run again. But if the "country press in Oregon" that one's usefulness to the people can be are not appreciably better than they demonstrated at all, there certainly were ten, fifteen or twenty years ago; should have developed some slight they use the same type, have the evidence of it in twelve years' ser- same makeup, don't know that the

promises and more legislation in race, their behalf; less profession of a There are other country papers

selfish advancement and gain to the are not few. detriment of the popular govern-

ple have been delegated the power of that has been said laudatory of the remedying these conditions, for a country press. When we get hold of further continuance of which they a paper like the Medford Mail for will themselves be directly respon- instance, or the Sanitam (Scio) News

NO FREE DELIVERY.

with each succeeding session of Congress an appropriation would be worthy, admirable, influential, denothing doing in that direction, come to individualize and differen-

lish a free mail delivery service. Ac- groaning in the land. "The whole Senator Brownell has always ap- cording to the report of Postmaster country for several years," says the peared on the official ballot as the Randall for the year ending June Republic, "has grouned under the Republican nominee although his 30 last, the receipts of the Oregon burdens of the Dingley tariff." The election has each time been due to City office aggregated \$10,300. Ap- Republic is the victim of an auricu-Democratic and Independent votes. plication was at once made by Mr. lar illusion. There is groaning in But a pirate, politically, indeed is Randall for the stablishment of a all our ears, but it is the greaning of the man who sacrifices the entire free delivery service here and this machinery in mine and manufacticket for the perpetuation of him- was forwarded to the proper authori- tory, of the loaded trains, the enself in office. What sort of Repub- ties at Washington, from whom the gines throbbing under ground, the lican is he who will assert that it is pleasing information is now receiva matter of no serious objection to ed that the service cannot be grant- directions. The groans of the workhimself if George E. Chamberlain is ed. The reason assigned is that in ers are heavy and incessant. By re-elected Governor of the state, that granting the service, the use of mail day they are emitted through a he would not make any serious com- boxes at the post office will be large- great forest of smokestacks, which plaint if the Democrats of Clacka- ly abandoned. The aggregate of the darken the skies of great cities, and mas county elected one or more coun- rental of these boxes is about \$1100 burden taxpayers with the employty officers as well as a part of the per annum and deducting this item ment of smoke inspectors, whose legislative ticket, so long as they as- from the gross receipts of the office, work is all in vain for the clearing sist to elect himself to the office to it is held that the revenues of the of a clouded firmament. This may which he aspires? Can such a double oregon City office fall below the re- be "the burden of the Dingley tariff

ficed in years past for his own selfish eration figured when a similar ser- inspectors was not necessary, thus 16. man command the respect and suf- Then why should such a ridiculous most brilliant stroke in the financial frage of a sincere Democrat or a proposition enter into consideration policy of the last democratic admin- during the day were 22.819. consistent independent voter? Such at this time. Oregon City people are istration this country will ever see, tactics should be repudiated by ev- right in feeling displeased with such | The Republic seems to understand treatment and they have splendid that the groaning it hears is not from Senator Brownell in twelve long grounds on which to ask the indorse- the people. With its ear close to the ple of Clackamas county or the state in this particular instance avail no "did not come from farmers or cat- Lake. at large. He is a man of great pro- more than similar action did in the the raisers, or cattle feeders, but from

> PRAISE OF THE COUNTRY PRESS.

An encomium of the country press on the Champ Clark style of eulogy of the country press-fulsome, ornate, exaggerated, insincere, yet as to a large portion of the country press largely true.

Every city exchange editor knows, however, that there are country papers and country papers. There are those that rustle for local news; that discriminate between news and nosense, between sense and bosh; that watch for and haste to narrate occurrences of local interest; that if they venture to write or reprint editorials do so with good judgment and with a sincere effort to instruct and enlighten their readers. Such papers are well worthy the encomium spoken of, even though it be ver-

bose and vulgarly baited. But there are others some of world in that time has moved faster What the people desire is fewer than would a snail in running a

sincere regard for the interests of that "start," merely to get a few shall cease. The burden of the the "dear people" and more substan- land notices and sheriff's advertisetial results; a less intimate relation- ments and some little pickups of ship between legislators and corpor- patronage, and pay no more atten- vulgar traffic.—Globe-Democrat.

with the common people. It is about local news than the sphynx does to being attained along this direction gious sects. For one, The Journal and such cannot be reasonably be expected from those who manipulate logy of the "country press," because their political office for their own there are these exceptions, and they

But having said this much, and kicked out the lazybones and pre-Under the direct primary, the peo- tenders, we cheerfully inderse all or the Hood River Glacier, or the . Echo News, or the Klamath Falls . papers, or the Grant County News (John Day City), or the Oregon City papers, or the Dayton Herald. If there is another community in or-if it can be classed as a country the state that is short-changed more paper, the East Oregonian-we know frequently at the hands of the feder- there is work, effort, enterprise, apal authorities than is Oregon City, preciation of a country editor's and we would like to become acquainted publisher's duties, behind those pawith its location. On the recommen- pers, and that they deserve to be supdation of a few special land office ported and upheld and praised. We officials, and apparently for no other do not mean that there are no others reason, the Oregon City Land Office equally or nearly equally worthy. was removed to Portland in the face nor that all those not mentioned are of a largely signed protest represent. unworthy. We do mean to say again. however, that a considerable portion

As a whole the country press is

A SOUND OF GROANING.

The Republic hears a sound of rumblings of traffic in a thousand referred to by the Republic, which This objection appears unfair. It remembers that during the last

The Republic is disingenuous. As one affiliated with that party in which the trusts have found the only refuge they have had, the Republic uses a multitude of words to cover up the fact that it is the beef trust which is behind the reciprocity s going the rounds. It is something movement. "But behind the meatpackers and the railroads," it says, 'are the masses of western farmers.' So far behind, dear Republic, that they are not yet in sight; so far behind, in fact, that they will never

If the Republic is uncandid at the first it is certainly candid enough at the last. "Democrats will look approvingly on at the efforts of the reciprocity champions," it says, and there can be no doubt of that, Democrats will not only "look approvingly on," but they will doubtless participate largely, under cover or openly, in the proceedings of the Chicago convention. The Democrats in the convention may mask themselves behind a specious pretense of public good, but the Republic disdains such limitation. No pent-up Utica contracts its powers. It looks beyond the public interest to see the old democratic party rising Phoenixlike out of the ashes, the fire at which the country burned its multitudinous fingers in 1892. It throws open the doors to reciprocity republicans whose "eyes may be opened to the real merits of thh old Jackson policy of a tariff for revenue with incidental protection." When the eyes of that woy, their ears will be no longer afflicted with a groaning, for it we shall be no longer frightened by the moans, screams or roars of a

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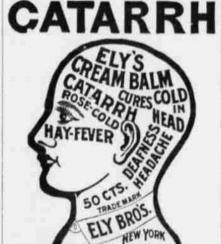
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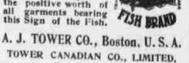
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