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"ADMINISTRATION" AND "ANTI-ADMINISTRATION."

A question is whether the Salem Statesman knows just where it is at. It makes these remarks, to-wit: "The President is preparing to take the side of the anti-administration force."

It seems to the Oregonian that some discrimination is necessary here. Which is the Administration and which the anti-administration side of this question of open trade between the United States and our new insular possessions?

The speech of a Republican member of the House (Bromwell of Pennsylvania) on Wednesday was a sarcastic comment on those who are trying to follow the Administration without knowing what the President's intentions or desires are.

cropping, impoverished the soil of many farms. In Eastern Oregon, wheat counties are making progress in horticulture, and in many places root crops are grown.

STATUS OF THE NEW POSSESSIONS. It has been well said that Senator Caffery of Louisiana, broke new ground in his speech against Philippine annexation.

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AGRICULTURAL PROGRESS. The market for farm lands in the Pacific Northwest is looking up, and shows indications of considerable activity in the near future.

which they had earned it. They were, as a result, promptly returned by indignant citizens to Grant's Pass to the care of those who were responsible for their being at large.

THE BRITISH SERVICE AND ENLISTED MEN. A correspondent writes inquiring whether it is possible for an enlisted man to secure a commission in the British army.

Prodigality is the result of profusion. This is especially true of the bounties of nature. An abundance of timber results in a waste of stumps; a wealth of native grasses in overgrazing;

Contrasts in Men. Demagogy and Freaks Should Be Sent to the Rear. There was once a time when the West—the "Great West," as it was called—was represented by great men in the halls of Congress.

make proclamation of neutrality, and leave Boer and Brit to fight it out. Of course, the Oregonian, in this paper, will continue its commentaries on the news and on the changing phases of the war.

Senator Hoar's Position. Thinks the Administration's Policy Bad, But Bryan's Worse. Washington.—Senator Hoar asserted recently that he would keep up his fight against the Philippine policy of the Administration.

An Irish Strategist. Philadelphia Inquirer. Two gunners, one a young Irishman unaccustomed to handling a fowling-piece, the other a sharpshooter, were engaged in a duck hunt in the marshes just south of Marcus Hook.

Trade Secrets. Baltimore American. First Shoe Merchant.—Business is poor. Why, I marked my stock down to half price, and then didn't sell anything.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN WAR. Our dispatches this morning are the first clear up fully the history of the British campaign in the Orange Free State since the announcement that General Kelly-Kenny's brigade was reported as having attacked General Cronje's laager on the 18th.

NOTE AND COMMENT. There are no bounds in the Boer army, but it seems they know how to face the music, just the same.

Our Plain Duty. President McKinley's message to Congress. Since the casual markets she had denied the principal markets she had long enjoyed, and her tariffs have been continued against her products as when she ruled under Spanish sovereignty.

The annual influx of gilt-tongued, leather-lunged, peripatetic peddlers of patent notions is beginning to arrive from the East, and promises to increase considerably the population of the State, temporarily, at least.

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