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by continual injection of overvalued silver into the circulation of the country. There was as much gold in the country in proportion to the business as before the silver craze came on.

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It is not only or merely to protect the banks, but also to protect the depositors and the mercantile and industrial interests of Oregon; that the Governor of Oregon has declared a legal holiday again for Monday.

There is no parallel. Mr. Bryan also gives out his opinion. To do so is one of his constitutional rights. But Mr. Bryan's opinion on any matter of money or finance is not very valuable.

By Mr. Bryan says that in 1893 prices were falling "because of a restricted money supply." But what caused a restricted money supply?

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The basic principle of his long endeavor is that work is the great reward for all human life. This principle he has proclaimed not alone in words, but in deeds.

JUDGE NOT. A pupil orator of fine accomplishments and of unusual success, the other night in Portland he said "Judge not." Taking into account the preoccupation of almost everybody with financial dubitations and perplexities at this time, his audience was very large.

JUDGE WEBSTER'S "VACATIONS." County Judge Webster admits that he has been absent for long periods from his Probate Court, his law court, his Board of County Commissioners, the Board of Equalization and other posts of responsibility which he holds by virtue of his being the chief administrative magistrate of the county.

It has not yet come to pass, either, that the County Judge has attained the high station of the Circuit Judge. In one capacity the County Judge is an intermediate magistrate between the Justice Court and the Circuit Court.

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COMMENT ON VARIED OREGON TOPICS

Coots County Coolings. "FORTY-FOOT FULTON," is the exclamation of a Coots Bay paper, which announced a recent visit of the Senator to that part of Oregon.

This Little World of Ours. A MIGHTY little world is this of ours. After all, Go to New York and you meet in the thickest of Broadway the last person on earth you expect to see.

Ideal Place for "Central." UP IN Monmouth the telephone switchboard has been moved to the jewelry store. Telephone users will please be more lenient hereafter while "Central" dreams of gallant suitors over those solitary diamonds.

When Misery is Happier. DEPOSITORS of the defunct Oregon Trust & Savings Bank might have thought they had some comfort last week when "misery loves company," but it didn't pay them anything.

Mr. Ellis' "Jolly." REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS R. ELLIS, after two years, has visited Prineville again "to find a remarkable change in the appearance" of the city. "This city has taken on metropolitan airs," he said.

Yamhill Entertainment. YAMHILL County is said to have invented a new entertainment, known as the "onion social." Six girls stand in line and one bites an onion. Each young man in the company pays ten cents for the privilege of biting the onion. If right, he must kiss the one girl; if wrong, he must kiss the other five. This party explains the high price of onions. Of course, the five should not be suspected of telling on the one; that would be real mean.

When Cupid Laughs at Banks. IT IS unlawful for a bank depositor to draw out money on a legal holiday, or for a judge to issue a decree of divorce, or for a county clerk to issue a certificate authorizing the person to mate a couple who can't wait until the bank holidays are over?

Fair Apples and Trouble. YAMHILL COUNTY held an apple fair last week, at which the fruit is said to have blushed more prettily than Hood River's. Next will come Hood River's show. One's opinion as to which apples are the better depends on those he sees last. Like the gentleman who was susceptible to the charms of several females, "How happy could I be with either were I to have them away," that is if he cannot have both Hood River and Yamhill apples at once. The apple is the best of all fruits, but it has good men and women into a deal of trouble, at one time or another.

COIN might be shoveled up by the barrelful, says the Eugene Guard, in the midst of the cash famine of the bankers. "If some vaudeville manager could engage Booker Washington to do with a con song and banjo act, with Tiltman playing the accompaniment on the piano," so would a charge of \$1 a seat at the next court hearing of Mrs. Waymire and \$5 for the bald-headed row, or a \$1 license for each tale of racy gossip. There are many chances for making money if we could only find them.

Aunt Polly's Philosophy. WHAT'S the use of holidays when the schools don't "let out" After all, we shall be thankful for many things on Thanksgiving; neither air, water nor earth is locked up in the banks. Bull Run by any other name would be just as fair and also pure. Honesty comes back as the best policy after the harvest is over and the panic threatens. Some persons are prosperous with cordwood as \$7 a cord; others are prosperous with cordwood as \$5.

Goat Raisers of Josephine County WILL form an organization like the fruitmen's unions. And why not? The Good Book tells us of "three things which go well, yam, four are commonly in gold." A lion, a greyhound, a horse and a king. The chow-washed gentleman has had a noble place in world's history, notwithstanding his iron stomach and his hardened head and his use to symbolize the wicked, in the promised division of the sheep from the goats. Over in Palestine he was not endowed with the head of the modern Angora in Josephine County. Consequently, he was not highly esteemed. In Wall street a Josephine Angora would be welcomed right merrily. Nobody objects to an individual who "butts in" if he brings something with him. Success to the goat-breeders' union.

Talents Steeped in Venom. PERHAPS worthy of Editor Pitmanauzer or Hartshorn, of Condon; Editor Geer or Huffman, of Pendleton; Editor Kennedy or Small, of Baker City, in this, from the Hoxquam Washingtonian.

Peanuts and Politicians. AURORA is boasting, like several other localities, of its fine peanuts. None of the places admits, however, its large crop of peanut politicians. We don't mean to say any Aurora has such a crop, but if it hasn't it is the luckiest town in Oregon.

Mr. Achilles, Pastor. FLEET-FOOTED ACHILLES, as Homer called antiquity's hero, performed many deeds of valor. The successor of his name, Rev. Mr. Achilles, of Penwawa, on Snake River, seems fleet-footed, too, and we doubt not, valorous and "godlike" as Homer also called the original, for we find the reverend gentleman hastening to the Dalles to tie a nuptial knot. Hero Achilles was dipped by his mother, Thetis, into the river Styx, to make him invulnerable. All but his heel, by which he held his life. But we are told there are no vulnerable spots in Mr. Achilles' pastoral zeal.

How Heppner Keeps Warm. HEPPENER fuel dealer announces that he has received abundance of coal from Utah to ward off Winter's cold. Thanks to Mr. Hartman, the coal up, back of Heppner 20 or 30 miles is still there, and consumers pay a 1000-mile freight rate.

Healthy Grants Pass. GRANTS PASS newspaper boasts that its town has not been visited by death for two weeks nor its county by insanity for 30 days. Evidently there is no need of the unwritten law in Grants Pass. Josephine must be a dandy for its County Judge to leave on vacations, since there are no county persons here to look after. Judge Webster might move back to Southern Oregon.

Mr. Bristol Let Off Easy. SEVERAL days ago W. C. Bristol, United States Attorney for Oregon, visited Roseburg. A local newspaper, which seeks all the news, said of him: "Mr. Bristol is investigating some land matters and will probably finish his work this evening." What land matters and why? Bet a nickel the newspaper passed up a good story.