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The Democrat.

Tom Reed is strictly not in it

Mr Bennett stands a good chance of being elected in Eastern Oregon.

Prof C F Bigbee, of Sweet Home would make an energetic, attentive county school superintendent.

Coxey is sweeping down through Eastern Oregon. His posters are headed: "Keep Off the Grass."

The man who keeps his equanimity during a political campaign is the one who should get the silver medal.

Vote for Henry Blakeley for sheriff.—Brownsville Times. That's good advice right from Mr. Blakeley's home.

A New York concern wishes to know who the twelve most prominent Oregonians are. The DEMOCRAT gave it the official list.

It doesn't make much difference what our state flower is; but the Oregon grape always did stick in our throat. Give us something else.

There is no more interesting senatorial contest than that in Lane county, between E. P. Skipworth, democrat; Baker, populist, and Driver republican.

Just two Oregon papers continue to publish the Foster forecasts, notwithstanding they know it affects our nerves. Those forecasts have too cyclonic a sound to them.

The Salem papers seem to be having a pretty quiet campaign. Two are on the same side, and the other is independent and doesn't seem to care.

Even Tongue cannot straddle as far as Mr. McKinley on the financial question. In fact Mr. Tongue is a pretty good gold bug, with a little bait thrown out occasionally to the silver voter.

Mr. Mark Peery is all right. Those knowing him will vouch for his more than ordinary ability. He would make a first class county recorder. This is a fact regardless of politics.

Our roads dry up very fast in the spring time when the sun comes out; but not the politician on the corner who knows it all. He can entertain a crowd for a day.

A man in Kentucky is reported to have lost his mind because he could not pay his debts. If this affliction would come to the men in this section there would hardly be a sane person in it.—Pendleton E O.

There is not a man running for office in Umatilla county who does not think he is going to be elected. It is quite remarkable the amount of confidence a candidate for office can abstract from his prospects.—Pendleton E. O.

Most of the people we talk with wan two "changes," and want them bad each one worse than the other—a weather change and a political change.—Statesman. That is what we want here. We are getting the weather change and expect the other change in a few weeks.

A great many people imagine that the bicycle is of recy modern origin, but this is an egregious mistake. Bible scholars know full well that the bicycle was in use long before the christian era. Every one should be a bible student, but every one is not. Therefore if you belong to the latter class, hunt up a bible. You may find one somewhere about the house. Now dust it off carefully, disperse the cobwebs and turn to the thirteenth verse of the eighty-third psalm. Then you will see that David himself must have ridden a wheel.—Ex.

The national deficit this year under the Wilson bill will be about $20,000,000. But for republican extravagance it would be the other way. Every effort possible has been made to keep the expenses above the receipts. Whereas they could easily be $20,000,000 to $50,000,000 less without much economy. The idea of crying for more protection with a tariff now 20 per cent on an average above the cost of labor in production, is simply ridiculous and but little discernment is needed to know the cry is simply for political effect.

A Great Failure.

Men who think republicans ought to run everything should consider the closing congress. A Washington writer says:

There are times when the impartial observer is half forced to the conclusion that government by congress is a mistake. This appears to be one of the times. If the present congress has conferred any particular good upon the country the man who has discovered it ought to come forward and relieve the suspense by pointing it out. Dissolution will come about the end of May, after six months of wabbling about in an orgy of declamation and a famine of legislation. It was predicted when congress met that the sum total of its record could be described in half a dozen words—"passed the appropriation bills and adjourned"—and that prediction is fast being verified. With the single exception of the appropriation for the Venezuelan commission, nothing that congress has done in the line of foreign affairs has amounted to anything at all. Its meddling with the Cuban question has unquestionably done more harm than good. It has failed to accomplish anything in the direction of raising more revenue for the government, it has done nothing to aid the president in maintaining the gold reserve, it has neglected such important matters as the Nicaragua canal, the irrigation of arid lands in the west, the abuse of the bonding privilege by Canadian railroads, the refunding of the Pacific railway debt, provision for adequate coast defense, new legislation to strengthen the hands of the interstate commerce commissioners under recent decisions of the supreme court.

Probably this congress will live in history as "the useless congress." It has even been a failure in the one field in which it prided itself on its heroism, in the one thing which its leader in the lower branch set out for with all the impetuosity of his nature. It has failed to cut the appropriations down to a notch which might give it credit for economy. Without any doubt the appropriations which the next session will have to make will carry the total for the fifty-fourth congress far above the billion dollar mark. Failure all along the line appears to be the record of this body of legislators.

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The Sheriff's Charges.

The people of Linn county are not so much interested in an indictment made falsely over 21 years ago and which came to naught as they are in the official career of the present sheriff who offers himself for re-election. In dealing with this matter neither slander nor ridicule should be indulged in, but a plain statement of facts. The question is has J. A. McFeron been honest or dishonest in his performance of his trust as sheriff? It has been distinctly alleged that sheriff McFeron has collected money from Linn county to which he has no lawful claim, under section 2341, of Hill's code.

It is one thing to be accused of a thing and quite another thing to be guilty of the charge. We do not hesitate to say that it is our opinion that from the records of Linn county Sheriff McFeron is liable to indictment for collecting and appropriating to his own use the money of the tax payers of Linn county, for violation of said section 2341. Although as sheriff of this county he took an oath to support the laws of this state, he has in our opinion deliberately violated section 2341 of Vol. 2. of Hill's Annotated Laws of Oregon. Upon this proposition would the sheriff not have to plead guilty? Now, Sheriff McFeron, what excuse have you to offer the people of Linn county for unlawfully collecting and retaining money from Linn county and its tax payers in violation of said section 2341? The taxpayers should see to it that every dollar illegally collected from them be recovered.

If a man will deliberately take the people's money in plain violation of law, he is neither suitable for an officer nor a citizen. Is Sheriff McFeron guilty? This is no false accusation of something over 23 years ago, but if true is a plain violation of law, of which there is no excuse.

The supreme court has decided that the county is not liable for the fees of any officer unless provided by plain statute, yet Sheriff McFeron, although taking an oath to support the law, has repeatedly placed items and charges in his accounts against the county for which there is no law for his claiming or charging. Now let Mr. McFeron meet these charges. Let people interested in a sheriff, look up the records and bills against Linn county, as charged and collected by Sheriff McFeron.

It is not whether the cost of running Linn county has been less during the last two years under the salary law, the question is has there been money unlawfully taken by its sheriff? Has the tax payer been made to pay unlawful claims during the last two years? The records shown that McFeron has claimed and been paid fees to which under said section 2341, and under the salary law in force since July 1894 he has no legal right. With what grace can one who has unlawfully in his pockets the money of the taxpayers of Linn county ask for their support? The section of the statute which we think Sheriff McFeron has violated, is said section 2341 herein before referred to, and the law for an officer illegally charging or taking fees is as provided in section 1852, Vol. 1, of Hill's code, and reads as follows: "Sec. 1852. If any officer of this state, or of any county, town, or other municipal or public corporation therein, shall willfully and knowingly charge, take, or receive any fee or compensation, other than that authorized or permitted by law, for any official service or duty performed by such officer, such officer, upon conviction thereof shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary not less than six months nor more than one year, or by imprisonment in the county jail, etc." The question is not what might have been falsely charged against Mr Blakely more than twenty years ago, but the tax-payers have the right to know whether McFeron has the tax-payers money in his possession to which he is not legally entitled.

He has we understand confessed to charging and collecting at the rate of five dollars per week for county prisoners where there were over four, and in such cases the law only allows three dollars per week. His charges for prisoners during the month of October, 1895 was at the rate of seventy-one and three-sevenths cents per day—the one item of board being $120. The board at lawful rate would have been many dollars less. This occurred repeatedly. Now McFeron by what law did you acquire these extra sums on the item for October, 1895, and other months? Do you pretend that any one can authorize you to violate the plain statutes of this state? By what authority are you holding that money and other moneys acquired in a similar way in your pocket? That money in our opinion belongs to the tax-payers of Linn county. Your friends be they republicans or democrats cannot uphold you in such work, for no good citizen—nay even a brother—cannot and will not uphold you in the flagant violation of the law as it appears from the records that you have been guilty in this case. The county court could not give you legal nor any authority to charge and collect the bills you did on the items of board as charged by you for the month of October, 1895, and other months. The county court allowing your bill could not legalize it. The legislature makes law. The county court is held to a strict compliance with the statute, and the supreme court of Oregon has held that an officer cannot legally charge and take fees which he is not entitled to under the statute. And in the 10 Oregon, page 97, the supreme court says: "Ignorance of the law excuses no one, least of all an officer, for having undertaken to perform the duties of his office, he must know and perform them at his peril." "The rule is inflexible that an officer can demand only such fees as the law has fixed and authorized for the performance of public duties." So says the supreme court the highest authority in this state. Now Mr McFeron will you voluntarily refund the money to the county treasury? The public demand that you do so. This is written in a spirit of fairness, and with the object that public justice may be done. No malice or wrong is intended you, and you have plenty of time before election to disprove these things said about your public official career if they be false. The public have the legal right to discuss your public career. The tax-payers should know the part you have taken in making the public record during the last two years and have the legal right to demand that the moneys you have taken in violation of said sec., 2341, be paid and refunded by you to the county treasury.

A republican subscriber gives the DEMOCRAT a pointer in reference to the comparison between the running of the county ten years ago and during the past four years. Then lumber was just about twice the present price and nails and other materials were much higher, and particularly labor. It cost at least 25 to 40 per cent more to build a bridge then than now, and yet the total cost of running the county was about 35 per cent less.

SATURDAY NIGHT THOUGHTS.

Politics, cyclones, etc.
Revivals.
Some lost flags
No printers there.

At the end of this week politics in Oregon are fairly blazing, the Cuban situation remains in statu quo; approximately ditto in Southern Africa; a cyclone struck Nebraska; a gold strike is reported at Anidem, and a cold wave struck Huntington's harbor deal, besides industrial strikes of a small order through several eastern cities.

The first week of a six weeks revival at the opera house is about gone. It takes all kinds of revivals to reach the people from the nightly meetings of the Salvation Army to a Moody meeting. While one evangelist seeks to draw by his sensationalism and the stirring of people up generally, another will take a sober, lofty style, staying closely to the text. Then there are varying degrees between them. Take your choice.

But really does the Sam Jones style seem the consistent one. There was no Sam Jones about the Great Example: But it is possible the end justifies the means and that Sam gets enough into the right path to justify his murdering of the English language and his unique descriptions.

Have you seen a couple American flags during the week. On account of the approach of decoration day they are wanted, or some as good. At the Tom Tongue convention in this city they were borrowed for use in decorating the stage; but since then nothing can be learned of them. A profound mystery seems to envelope their disappearance. Who got them? Did some delegate take them away? Where are they anyway. The G A R boys very naturally are considerably exercised over their loss, and it looks this Saturday night very much as if the local congressional committee would be out $19, for the owners of the flags are on their trail and propose to keep on the track until they secure new flags or the old ones.

People who think the printing office is a bad place for morals will please read the following: "A printing office is considered by some folks a tough place, and the newspaper worker a mighty bad man. Statistics, however, do not bear out that idea. Of 3,890 convicts of the State Penitentiary of Texas there is not a printer or a newspaper man, while there are ministers, doctors, bankers, barbers, photographers, barkeepers, cooks and members of professions and callings. The printer gets a bad name because the nature of his business teaches him to detest shams, and he scorns the hypocrite, says an exchange."

Washington Letter.

From our regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, May 11th, 1896.

That President Cleveland has it in his power to upset the campaign plan of the republicans was fully shown by the consternation among them over a rumor that President Cleveland proposed to issue a proclamation calling an extra session of congression, to consider financial legislation. If President Cleveland really intended to take such action, he wouldn't be likely to talk about it now. But even if nothing more was accomplished an extra session would compel the republicans to come forward with a definite financial plan in advance of the presidential election, or acknowledge their inability to agree upon one, and in either case the democrats would necessarily be the gainers.

After consultation with President Cleveland, Secretary Olney notified the Spanish authorities that the men captured on the recent fillibuster expedition to Cuba who claim to be American citizens, and who have been sentenced to death by a Spanish court in Cuba, must not be executed before this government has fully investigated their claims to citizenship, and their guilt.

Such men as Senators Brice and Gorman—men who never allow their hopes and wishes to warp their judgment, are satisfied that the nomination of McKinley by the republicans will give the democrats more than a fighting chance to elect the next president, and McKinley's nomination is now regarded as certain as anything not yet absolutely accomplished can be. Consequently there is a lively sprucing up among democrats, and a quiet but strong movement looking towards party unity at the Chicago convention has been started. Upon the success of this movement largely depends party success next November, as it is only by unity that the party can possibly win. This movement hasn't got down to details yet, it only seeks to impress upon the mind of every democrat the necessity for the minority of the national convention to loyally support the decision of the majority, leaving details to be worked out later.

Secretary Herbert has issued an order directing that all results of the testing of armor plates and guns for the navy shall be kept a secret. This action has been taken because European governments have declined to allow us to know the result of similar tests made by them, although we have allowed their officers to be present at those made by this government.

The McKinleyites scent danger to their idol from the unusually early date which Chairman Carter has set for the meeting of the Republican National Committee, to settle the various contests for seats in the St. Louis convention. They know the national committee is strongly opposed to McKinley and they fear that it will use all its power against him, and they have good grounds for their fear. The only thing that will prevent an overwhelming majority of the committee from trying to sidetrack the McKinley boom will be the knowledge that he can win in spite of them. That they do not believe now, but they may change their minds before the committee meets, Whether McKinley wins or looses, the fight now going on for and against him is daily adding to democratic chances for winning the national election.

The republican House capped the climax of this do-nothing-but-pass-extravagant-appropriation-bills session by voting $1200 a year to each member for clerk hire. Even if the member really paid this money to clerks for assisting them this would have been an unjustifiable extravagance, but it is well known that many of the members have pocketed all or a greater part of the $100 a month allowed them during the sessions of congress for several years past, getting what clerical assistance they needed for their wives, their children or from some constituent they had put into some small place around the capital and believed that they will continue to pocket the increased sum.

For Pills and Plasters Dawson

Voters are sawing wood right along but thinking deeply on the part that the republicans came into power in this county under a most solemn pledge that county expenses should be reduced. Now, how has that pledge been made good? It has not been made good at all, but on the contrary has been openly broken. And still they continue to reflect upon their broken pledges.

The manner in which the Brownsville Times, an independent paper supports Mr Blakely for sheriff is a good evidence of his standing at home. The big vote he will secure there will be a very emphatic endorsement of him.

The man who refuses to make needed improvements because times are hard helps to keep times hard. Every added piece of work gives employment to more men and helps to restore confidence. The business men of First street should put cement gutters along the street. The cost would be small compared with the benefit.

The last legislature simplified the method of designating the candidates the elector wishes to vote for under the Australian ballot law. Instead of erasing all the names except the ones he votes for, the elector simply places an X in the space between the number and the name of the candidate voted for. All other names are left blank. For convenience we give an illustration:

10	X	S M Garland	Democrat.
11		J N Duncan	Republican.
12		Geo Barton	Populist

The name marked with an X is the candidate voted for, the others are blank.

MISFITS.

The Salem Journal again says: It is rumored Col. Jeff Myers will undoubtedly be withdrawn from the race for congress before Saturday when the official tickets will be closed.

The meeting at Jefferson on Saturday last was well attended. Col. Hofer was the principal speaker. A correspondent writes that he pitched into everybody and everything. Sometimes the populists cheered, sometimes the republicans and sometimes the democrats. Sometimes the populists swore, sometimes the republicans, sometimes the democrats, and sometimes all three together.—Post.

At its meeting last night Oregon Hose Company adopted a firemen's pin, which will be worn by members of the company. The pin is solid gold and is round in shape having a shield in the center. Engraved in either black or blue lettering at the top will be the word. "Oregon," while at the bottom will be the words, "Hose Co." In the center on the shield will be the words, "No. 1."—Eugene Guard.

The Salvation Army lieutenant now wants the wood which the boys so kindly "borrowed" for him Monday night in response to his request, returned to its owners. He states that there was only about 15 or 20 sticks of the wood and he did not suspect on the start that it was gotten by unfair means. He now has the wood and would like for the boys to return it for him.—Eugene Guard.

They have an extra vocabulary in Roseburg for election purposes. The Plaindealer says. "In Thursday's Review another cowardly son of Belial attacks the Plaindealer with a string of as damnable lies as was ever uttered by demons damned from the yawning mouth of hell. He is a cowardly cur, beneath the dignity of a digger Indian."

The Press of Scio, says of Tongue's speech there: During his address he took occasion to refer to the story of his competitor on the democratic ticket, Jeff Myers and his half breed calf that was going the rounds four years ago. The allusion was in bad taste seeing that Mr. Myer's father and sisters were present, and most certainly will not win Mr. Tongue any votes on the first day of June. Taken all together, the people were somewhat disappointed in the speaker as from his reputation a fine address was expected, when in fact it proved to be quite ordinary and not above the ability of some of our speakers of local celebrity.

Oakville.

The political excitement runs high here. We can hear nothing but politics from morning till night. We often wonder what some men will do after the election.

Several of our republican friends went to Albany Wednesday to see Geo. Barton. They supposed he would be so badly used up that he could not be recognized.

"Good times are almost here," was said by a man in our presence not long since. We didn't ask him how near but we since learned that he had a man working for him for his board. Such good times remind us of the "French revolution," or the "Great American rebellion," and, we would be sorry to see a repetition of either. We have some recollections of the latter and have no desire to see it repeated.

We are glad to see a few days sunshine, it will give our farmers a chance to plant some spuds and some will sow wheat yet or do without.

H M. Stone called on us yesterday. He is feeling well. He had a young lady with him.

A band of beef cattle were drove through here this week. We learned that they were for the Albany market.

We feel sure we know what political party "Veritas" belongs to. We had him sized up as a republican but since he has come out as he does against Judge Duncan we know he is all right and now the Herald correspondent from Tangent can see where the ex-republican stands today. Who is he? Klonas

AMICUS.

A CARD OF THANKS.—The entertainment committee of Beulah Rebekah Lodge I. O. O. F. desire to sincerely thank the friends who so kindly assisted them last Friday evening. Especially do they appreciate the kindness of those who made the program such an interesting success.

New O. C. & E. Time Table.

Time table No. 3, signed by Edwin Stone manager, and C. Sullivan, acting superintendent, is out. First class mixed will leave Yaquina daily, except Sunday, at 6:15 a m, arrive at Albany at 12 m, leave at 1:15, arrive at Detroit at 5:10 p m. Train will leave Detroit daily except Sunday at 6:50 a m, arrive at Albany at 11:00 a m, leave at 1:05 p m and arrive at Yaquina at 6:50 p m. This is better service than was at first reported.

Bonds Ahead.

CHICAGO, May 15.—A Chronicle special from Washington says:

May I the gold reserve in the treasury stood at $125,000,000; today it is a trifle over $114,000,000. In 12 working days $11,000,000 in gold has been taken from the treasury, and there is not, it is said, the slightest indication of any abatement in the export of the yellow metal.

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TELEGRAPHIC.

A Terrible Cyclone.

SHERMAN, Tex., May 15.—Just a few minutes before 5 o'clock this afternoon, a cyclone, not exceeding two blocks in width, but carrying widespread destruction and death in its wake, swept through the western half of the city, traveling almost directly north. The approach of the terrific whirlwind was announced by a deep rumbling noise, not unlike reverberating thunder. A fierce and driving rain accompanied it

It is very conservative to estimate that the list of fatalities will reach 60 while the injured will reach 100. At least 50 houses are wrecked.

Dupont Not In It.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—By a vote of 31 to 30, the senate determined today that Henry A Dupont was not entitled to a seat in the senate from the state of Delaware. This closed a long and animated controversy, which had been one of the most notable contests of its kind in the history of the senate. The result was in doubt up to the last moment, and this lent added interest to the final vote. There had been some question as to the direction of Stewart's vote, but it was with those of the democrats and populists, and was the decisive vote in declaring Dupont not entitled to a seat.

An Awful Mixture.

SHERIDAN, Wyo., May 15.—McKinley and free silver were declared inseparable political twins by the resolutions of the republican state convention today. The committee on resolutions had a warm session, lasting until midnight. The platform, as finally reported, is intended to meet all factions, and therefore satisfies none.

All Discharged.

THE DALLES, Or., May 15.—Harry S Miller, W J Templeton and Bud Robbins the men arrested for robbing the postoffice Saturday night, were given an examination before United States Commissioner Huntington and were discharged, no evidence for the defense being necessary.

The Nations Business.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Bradstreets tomorrow will say: General trade throughout the country remains quiet, wholesale merchants continue conservative and distribution of general merchandise is almost of a hand-to-mouth character. South and southwest both remain dull and featureless and unchanged from last week. At larger Eastern centers travelers are preparing to start out.

The Oregon Alright.

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., May 14.—In her official trial trip today, the battle-ship Oregon covered 62 knots, official government course, in three hours forty minutes and forty-eight seconds, making the magnificent average speed for the time over the course of 19.78 knots, or 19.35 miles in an hour.

This speed places her in the very front rank of ships of her class in the navies of the world, beating the Massachusetts, the pride of the Cramps, which had a record of 15.61 knots.

The contract of the Union iron works with the government calls for $25,000 for every quarter of a knot about 15, and by her great performance today the Oregon has earned for her builders a premium of $175,000.

Reed for Vice-President.

CINCINNATI, May 14.—The Commercial Gazette sent letters to all members of the republican national committee, stating that the nomination of McKinley, at St. Louis, being conceded it was desired to gather preferences for vice-president. The replies will be published today, and show that with the exception of three preferences for Hobart, of New jersey, the members of the national committee favor Thomas B. Reed for vice-president.

An Editor Whipped.

ASTORIA, Or., May 14.—C. J. Curtis, editor of the Weekly Herald, of this city, and H W Weeks, candidate for recorder on the populist ticket, engaged in a fistic encounter today, in which Curtis came out second best. Weeks was the aggressor, and the provocation was an article in the Herald in which Weeks was the victim of an abusive attack. Meeting Curtis on Commercial street this morning, Weeks approached him with the remark, "You'll abuse me in your paper, will you?" knocking him down.

Signs of Fusion.

SALEM, May 14.—George H Beebe, democratic nominee for county clerk, today withdrew from the race. There is left in the field, N. V. Eblen, republican, and Rees Leabo, populist. This is the first withdrawal that has been made in the county, and, with this exception, the democrats, populists and republicans have full tickets in the field. There is talk of the withdrawal of all the democratic nominees, except W. J. D'Arcy, candidate for the legislature. Frank Durbin, for sheriff, and W. H. Downing for treasurer.

Another Voter.

SALEM, May 14.—The governor today restored to citizenship A H. Long, of Washington county. Long was sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of 12 years for the crime of rape. He served about eight years, his sentence having been commuted by Governor Pennoyer to expire in February, 1895. It is at the special interest and request of the ex-governor that Long was given his restoration papers.

Postmaster at Plainview.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—D. M. Bonar was today appointed postmaster at Plainview, Linn county, Or.

Mitchell's Pension Bill.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—The senate passed Mitchell's bill for pensioning the veterans of Indian wars. This bill will pension all who served in the early Indian wars in Washington and Oregon, their widows and dependent survivors. Hermann has circulated and secured signatures to a petition to the speaker, asking that he be recognized to call up a similar bill in the house on suspension day, or that a day be granted to consider the bill. Representatives of 17 states have signed the petition, and a request will now be made to secure consideration of Mitchell's bill, so that it may not have to go through conference.

The River and Harbor Bill.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—The river and harbor appropriation bill was passed by the senate today, after an unusually stormy experience, lasting many days. As finally passed, the bill makes direct appropriations of $12,200,000, and authorizes continuous contracts of $64,000,000, an aggregate of about $76,000,000. During the debate today, the statement was made that this was the largest aggregate for a river and harbor bill in the history of the government. Gorman sought to secure an amendment limiting the contract expenditures to $10,000,000 annually, but the amendment was tveled; ayes 40, noes 23.

Over Deer Hides.

CORVALLIS, Or., May 13.—Yesterday E Nichols, M Davis and W H Brumfield were arrested on a charge of buying and selling deer hides out of season. The first two named pleaded guilty and paid their fine of $25. Brumfield entered a plea of not guilty, and his case was continued. Brumfield and Davis had obtained the hides and sold them to Nichols. The parties did not deny that they knew it was unlawful to sell the hides, and perhaps nothing would have come of the matter had not Nichols and a brother of Brumfield become engaged in a difficulty.

Light Docket in Polk County.

THE DALLES, May 13.—Judge George H Burnett adjourned department No. 1 of circuit court for Polk county, today. The docket was the lightest known for years, there being only 30 cases and but one jury trial. The grand jury found four true bills, and the cases were continued until the next term.

Those Prisoners.

LONDON, May 13.—It was reported on the stock exchange this afternoon that the Pretoria reform prisoners, with the exception of the five leaders, have been released, subject to three years' banishment. There were 59 men, each sentenced to two years' imprisonment, with $10,000 fine, or, failing payment, one year additional imprisonment and three years' banishment after the expiration of imprisonment.

Another Bond Issue In Sight.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows:

Available cash balance $267,330,759
Gold reserve 116,000,795

The treasury today lost $1,511,900 in gold coin, and $24,000 in bars, which leaves the true amount of gold reserve $114,436,381

Test it any way you like.

Weigh it-
Measure it- Chew it
and you will find
BattleAx
A GREAT BIG PIECE FOR 10 CENTS
PLUG

is the largest piece of GOOD tobacco ever sold for 10 cents

A Prize Poem.

A prize of $5 for first and $1 for second best ode on the Albany College was offered. There were four contestants. The first prize was awarded John G. Swann. Following is the poem:

O shout a song of loudest glee;
Let all our pent up praises ring.
From hall to mountain back to sea,
All through our lovely valley green,
Commencement's come,
A year is done,
More victories won.

All round the pleasures of the year,
Called up by mem'ries tramp, do crowd,
Vacations rest has come to cheer,
From happy hearts enjoyed today
Our songs then hear,
As we do cheer,
Our college dear.

O place with fondest mem'ries filled
Our college 'tis to thee we sing,
Where oft with joy our hearts have thrilled
Where swiftly wing the pleasant hours
We shout for thee,
Where joys ne'er flee
Loved Albany.

As is the rose more sweet and fair,
When from the worked and mellow ground,
So coming from thy work and care
Is joy and pleasure in the hall.
We sing to thee,
Where work is glee,
Fair Albany.

But soon we'll leave thy pleasure halls,
Yet ever rear thy dome of fame;
And others teach within thy walls,
A noble, useful life to lead.
Thy future be
From sorrows free
Great Albany.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION
OF THE
FIRST NATIONAL BANK,
AT ALBANY, IN THE STATE OF OREGON

At the close of business, May, 7th, 1896.

Resources:

Loans and discounts	$177,723.49
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	1,948.31
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	50,000.00
Premiums on U S bonds	2,000.00
Stocks, securities, etc.	967.65
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures	13,000.00
Other real estate and mortgages owned	17,853.26
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	32,603.81
Due from State Banks and bankers	11,804.99
Due from approved reserve agents	15,940.72
Checks and other cash items	429.15
Notes of other National Banks	500.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	46.00
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, viz:	
Specie	43,111.7
Legal tender notes	107.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (five per cent of circulation)	900.00
Total	$389,942.08

Liabilities:

Capital stock paid in	$50,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	7,020.57
National Bank notes outstanding	22,950.00
Due to other National Banks	.00
Due to State Banks and bankers	67.77
Individual deposits subject to check	146,317.11
Demand certificates of deposit	69,146.63
Time certificates of deposit	13,000.00
Certified checks	.00
Cashier's checks outstanding	
Total	$389,502.08

STATE OF OREGON, COUNTY OF LINN, —ss:

I, E W LANGDON, Cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E W LANGDON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of May, 1896. D. B. MONTEITH, Notary Public.

(L. S.)

CORRECT—Attest:
L. FLINN,
S. E. YOUNG,
L. E. BLAIN,
} Directors.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss.
LUCAS COUNTY.

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

(SEAL)

A. W. GLEASON,
Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

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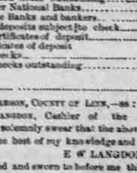

The Old Lady

and her family and friends are bound to get their prescriptions filled at Hodges & Burkarts, who as well carry a complete stock of patent medicines, an elegant line of stationary, the finest perfumes and notions generally. Promptness, care, the best goods and first class treatment is their rule.

Our standing at Home