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It is not surprising that ex-Senator Ingalls is in demand as a lecturer. He is one of the few who never fail to say something interesting when they talk.

The condition of Mr. Blaine's health seems at this time to worry the democratic and mugwump press more than anything else. Has the fact that next year is presidential year anything to do with this?

ONE of the longest and most costly steel railroad bridges in the country is now being erected by the Union Pacific across the Columbia river at Vancouver, Wash. The length from the Washington to the Oregon shore will be 6000, and the draw pier will be over 400 feet long. The structure will cost over \$4,000,000.

If our friends, the Farmers Alliance, are not careful they will overdo the educational business. At this season of the year too much talk is apt to give a man "that tired feeling" which bodes no good for the talker.

HENRY WATTERSON, says Governor-Senator Hill, has never cleared himself of the suspicion of having been a traitor to his party. Now if somebody will get the Governor-Senator to make public his opinion of the blue grass editor, things will be evened up, as it is certain that Hill loves Watterson quite as much as Watterson loves Hill.

SECRETARY FOSTER has made many new friends by declining to be bulldozed by Powderly and the executive committee of the knights of labor. Right or wrong, no organization has any right to dictate to the head of a department what he shall or shall not do, and the great mass of the people may be relied upon to back up the man who has the nerve to resent any attempt to dictate to him, no matter who makes it.

It is easy to talk about extravagant appropriations of the last congress, but why is it that our democratic friends do not specify the particular appropriations that they consider extravagant? We know that the average democrat is opposed to pensioning the Union veterans, and would gladly, if it could be done secretly, refuse to appropriate another cent for pensions, but where is the democrat who is willing to openly charge that the money appropriated for the old soldiers is an extravagance?

THE late Horace Greeley may have been erratic, but we have an idea that he was hewing along the correct line when he wrote: "Sentiment never controls a National convention. The delegates are always shrewd politicians who want their party to win; and after weighing the merits and demerits of all candidates the majority centers upon the man whom it believes can poll the most votes. When conventions make mistakes they are errors of judgment and sentiment has nothing to do with it."

JERRY SIMPSON making third party speeches in New York and Ohio is a very different individual in the eyes of democrats, from Jerry Simpson making third party speeches in Georgia. It's all very nice to have the Farmers Alliance in the republican states go into the third party movement, but it is rank treason for such a thing to be even talked about in the democratic South. Republican members of the alliance are not as blind as some of the Southern democrats believe them to be, as will be seen before long.

THERE is untold wealth lying at the very feet of the citizens of Newport in the cod fisheries if only they choose to reach for it. Almost any quantity of this fish may be caught here and yet not one city in the valley is supplied with Newport fish. It is a mammoth industry which lacks only energy to develop. For the time being cold storage is the only necessary outlay of capital, and being had, the industry will pay for its own upbuilding and improvements. It would be no transient speculation, but would be right here year in and year out. It would be almost safe to say that the town business would pay for the cold storage when completed, leaving the expense to the fishing industry a mere nothing. Corvallis, Albany, Salem, Eugene and many other points could be supplied with fresh bass, cod, flounder, halibut, perch, and other varieties right off the ice all summer long cheaper than Portland could furnish them, to say nothing of clams, crabs, oysters, rock oysters, etc., with which this point abounds. Although Newport is several years old this Eldorado has lain here dormant all this time for the want of enterprise on the part of whom? Not Newport people; it would not do to say that, but the people of Arizona. A fine place to build a cold storage depot could be had here not a stone's throw from the wharf with ample room underground for any amount of storage and this could be entered on a level with the main street of the town. Sugar beet raising is a fine industry, our coal mines nothing slow, but this fishery industry is out of sight when compared with them and yet is untouched. Can we not make some move that will start the ball rolling? A long pull, a strong pull, and a pull altogether would start it.—Newport Times.

OREGON WEATHER SERVICE. In co-operation with U. S. Weather Bureau of the Department of Agriculture, Central office, Portland, Oregon. Crop-Weather Bulletin, No. 20. For week ending, Saturday, July 25, 1891.

WESTERN OREGON WEATHER. Thursday, the 25th was the warmest day on record; the maximum temperature ranged from 96 to 105 degrees. The 22nd and 24th were warm while to-day is much cooler. On the evening of the 23d thunder storms were observed in various localities, though little rain fell.

CROPS. The hot weather was favorable to the ripening of grain but slightly injurious to gardens. Wheat harvest is generally in operation and reports indicate larger and more plump grains and better heads than were even anticipated. Oats are doing well and ripening rapidly. The codlin moth is becoming dangerous and doing damage; the apple crop will be poor. The hop louse is fairly well under control. Green corn and peaches are ripe and plentiful; the peach crop is the largest on record. Prunes are generally not over an average crop, though in Douglas county the trees are heavily loaded with fruit. Hay harvest, in sections, continues, and all reports indicate heavy yields.

Reports from the wheat districts of the world, other than the United States, indicate a general deficiency, this means a demand for American wheat and good prices. Already there are signs of increased prices and it bids fair to be as high or higher than previous prices. Oregon is to be congratulated on its immense yield and prospective good prices, resulting in prosperous times for the agriculturist.

B. S. PAGUE, Observer. Small & Son have opened their ice cream parlors and are serving a delicious article.

BETTER THAN THE OLD.

Men are prone to look back on old times as good times, when the world went better than it does today and the sun shone considerably brighter. The mists of years soften outlines and round off angles. The man looking backward sees things thus softened and poetized. At least too often for truth the ordinary man so sees the past and depicts it to the present. There are some men who are so gifted with the ability to put aside illusions that they can paint the past as it was, not as it might, could, would, or should have been. Col. S. C. Wrightington comes within this category, and his picture of labor in a New England manufacturing town fifty years ago is a revelation to this generation and a reminiscence whose fidelity will be recognized by all who were toilers at that time. Life and labor in the mills in the time described were hard. The operative worked longer than the operative of to-day, and under conditions more unfavorable to his comfort. Neither were the laboring classes so well fed and housed as they are to-day. It does not appear, however, that the laborers of fifty years ago felt their lot to be a particularly hard one. Everybody labored hard and long then. The mill people only labored with the rest. That the moral and intellectual tone of mill operatives was much higher then than it is to-day is undoubtedly a fact. It is certified to by the fact that so large a portion of them came from the hardy, intelligent yeomanry of New England. The operatives were intelligent, not because of their surroundings, but despite them. The laboring classes of to-day are better paid, better clothed, and better housed than their fathers were. They have more money and they spend more. It is often said of them that they spend all, but that is not the truth as demonstrated by the tremendous growth of savings banks deposits. The progress of the laboring class in the matter of wage earning is often lost sight of by them, and is carefully kept out of their sight by professional agitators who fatten on the discontent they stir up. In reality the improvement of their lot has kept pace with the improvement of the general lot. Making due allowance for the cost of preparation and study, we doubt if the ordinary professional man as a class earn incomes as greatly in excess of those their fathers earned as are the incomes of laboring men of 1891 over those of 1841. The improvement in the lot of the laboring classes has been due to the introduction of labor-saving machinery, to better transportation facilities, to the growth of the belief that recreation is not only not wasteful, but positively necessary, and to the opportunity our form of government offers for working reforms without causing revolutions.—Elmira Telegram.

EVERY report of good crops and prosperous times for the farmers is an additional thorn in the sides of the democratic calamity wailers. The democratic party has always prospered most when the people suffered most, and it is for that reason that it dreads the era of prosperity which is now dawning upon the country, brought about by republican legislation, and which we would have had long ago had the republicans controlled all branches of the government, as they did during the first two years of President Harrison's administration, and it is a matter of congratulation that the democratic house of representatives, which was elected by false representations to the people, will not be able to undo the good work done by the republican house, much as the democrats would enjoy doing it, and the attempts that are certain to be made in that direction will only convince the people of the country of the necessity of electing a republican president and house next year.

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