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It is said that Grover Cleveland imagines he resembles Andrew Jackson. Jumping Christopher Columbus! Did any other man make such a mistake?

When the republican party gets control of the government—and it will in 1896—the Nicaragua canal will be pushed to completion and another milestone placed on the road to national prosperity.

The reason given for the removal of Professor Harrington, chief of the weather bureau, is that he could not get along with Morton. Probably the real reason is that he was appointed by President Harrison—Oregonian.

An exchange wisely remarks: "Rest to the country an efficient government and a tariff that will protect our industries and yield an abundant revenue, and more than half the difficulties that now involve the financial issue will pass away."

We suppose the Salem Hog rests easier since Judge Hewitt has rendered a decision in the asylum case adverse to the wishes of the people in the state; but the people may congratulate themselves that the final settlement of this question does not rest with a Salem judge.—Pendleton Republican.

Let us be thankful that democracy is not perpetual, that the reign of Grover Cleveland is reaching its close, and that the yeomanry of the country have recovered from the delusions of 1892 and will continue hereafter to support the party—the republican party—the party of progress and patriotism.

The name of Cleveland off the house of Grover is not likely to be perpetuated, as all the new comers of that dynasty are of the feminine gender, and under present conventionalities their descendants will assume other patronymics. Farewell, Grover Cleveland, your reign is short, and your offspring can't be presidents. See dispatch in today's issue.

Farmers of Douglas, can your fruit. You can do so and supply the wants of the entire country. Tons of fruit are shipped from Oregon and California to the East. There canned and shipped back to Oregon. Who pays the freight both ways? The consumer. Can your fruit. Keep the supplies from the Eastern markets out of the country, and by thus doing, thousands of dollars will be in circulation here that now goes to fill the pockets of strangers elsewhere.

The Plaindealer Company is bending every effort to make a good paper, both of the daily and weekly, and have very flattering prospects for the future, so far. The management has refrained from indulging in self laudation for the reason we consider our patrons are intelligent people capable of knowing a good thing when they see it, without being told; and that if the Plaindealer has merit they will perceive it. If it has no merit, our continual self-praise would not make up the deficit.

We feel constrained, as an act of justice to Rev. Mr. Annes, to state that his rotation theory was an excellent one. It was quite refreshing to the patriotic sentiment of those who had the pleasure of hearing it. It abounded in many beautiful and ennobling thoughts. We give as a sample two excerpts. Under the figure of a train of cars moving on its way, he likened the United States of our government train he said: The conductor never fails to punch a foreigner's ticket and always gives the change, and arrives at every station on time. The train has never been derailed. No strikes have ever tried up the train. It moves right on. The people of this nation has accomplished in one century for the prosperity and happiness of the masses more than all the nations of the earth in all time, before or since the birth of Christ. He paid an eloquent tribute to the free school system, as the palfium of American liberty.

CHEAPER LANDS. Many explanations have been offered why eastern immigration has not been attracted to Oregon in greater numbers than it has. A quarter of a century ago the flood-tide of immigration poured a continuous stream of home seekers into Oregon, but during the last half decade the current has turned southward and the broad prairies of Texas seem to be the promised land towards which the emigrant is plodding his weary steps. Oregon's climate far exceeds that of Texas. Oregon never fails in her crops, has more and

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Up to the point of meeting the other current, the damage to property was not so great. The first object struck after the meeting was the Methodist Episcopal church. This was totally destroyed, and it lies in a heap of ruins. The current turned slightly to the southeast, doing great deal of damage until it reached a point just west of J. M. Cooper's large store, where it turned directly east, striking the store building, caving in the west end and badly damaging the roof.

The next object of the storm's fury was the old blacksmith shop on the northeast corner of Military and River streets, which was completely swept away. The Christian church was directly in the path, so it lies like a pile of kindling wood.

FRANK M. PAXLEY, July 6.—Frank M. Paxley, the politician, orator, lawyer and founder of the San Francisco Argonaut, the oldest weekly paper in San Francisco, is probably in his last illness. He is suffering from nervous prostration, which is almost a complete paralysis, both mentally and physically, and his physicians have little hope of his recovery. His wife is also suffering from nervous prostration.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 6.—Dr. Edward R. Palmer, one of the most prominent physicians of this city, was killed on the Southern boulevard last night, while riding a bicycle, in collision with another wheelman, William R. Colton. Dr. Palmer was president of the Genito-Urinary section of the American Medical Association, and has been a valuable contributor to medical publications.

NAPLES, July 6.—The crater of Mount Etna is again pouring forth fire, smoke and lava. Mount Vesuvius is also in a state of eruption, and is reported in a worse condition than Etna. The town of Resina, Italy, built over the ruins of Herculaneum, is threatened. Villages in the vicinity of the volcanoes are believed to be in danger.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., July 8.—A severe electric rainstorm swept along the James river and as far south as Ozark last night. Live stock was killed by the wind and lightning, and crops badly damaged by the storm. Three houses at Sparta were destroyed by lightning.

The reports of a flood at Winona, Mo., published heretofore, are now known to have told only part of the horrors of the disaster, owing to the fact that Winona is in a mountainous region, almost inaccessible by wagon, and that the railway is washed away.

Railway connection will be established this afternoon by running a train on either end of the Current river branch of the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis road, but it will be several days before the gap can be closed up in the road. Several officials of the railway and other parties left for Winona on a special train this morning to render all assistance possible to the flood-stricken people.

The bodies of Rev. G. W. Duncan and daughter Mattie, and Miss Nancy Nevins were found under a large drift of broken timber about a mile below Winona, as was the body of an unknown man, stopping at one of the hotels. A terrific stench arises from the mass of logs, horse, cattle and other animals drowned. It is charged some visitors are stripping the bodies of everything of value. For several miles below Winona may be seen the dead animals. Over 200 people were searching yesterday for bodies. The body of George Evans' daughter was found this forenoon. The body of Lloyd Wright's daughter is still missing. Late news from Thomsville, Oregon county, shows that while great damage was done there was no loss of life.

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