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## EDITORIAL COMMENT.

President and Mrs. McKinley spent last Sunday at their old home in Canton, Ohio. A great demonstration was made upon their arrival on Saturday.

Meat, corn, oats, barley, rye and cotton, the six staples of agriculture in the United States will this year, it is estimated, have a market value of nearly \$2,000,000,000.

The much dreaded yellow fever has broken out at Ocean Springs, Mississippi. Hundreds of cases and many deaths are reported, and the place is rigidly quarantined.

And now it is India that is making preparations to assume the gold standard. It is said she will ask for a gold loan, and that exports of gold to that country will follow.

A North Carolina plan is proposed for an educational qualification for the suffrage, and the point that attracts attention is that it is not aimed so much at the negroes as at the illiterate whites.

An English paper says the advance in wheat is "an unmerited stroke of good luck for President McKinley's government" and then abuses the new tariff law. The advance in wheat may be luck, but the new tariff is good management, and means a treasury surplus on our side of the Atlantic.—Yanhill Reporter.

The gold standard democrats will hold the balance of power in this county, if not in this state, at the election next June. We donate this information to the little clique here which is said to be putting up a slate. These men left their own party because they would not stand trickery and dishonesty, and we warn you that they are not likely to stand any trickery from you. So if you want their support you must be honorable, strait-forward and patriotic. Slates will be smashed.

Who says prosperity has not come? A recent visit to the Dallas foundry disclosed the following facts: There are two furnaces in this establishment. One is a small one and bears this inscription—"Erected in 1893 under Grover Cleveland, and has not done anything since." The other, a large one, has this legend written upon it—"Erected in 1897, under McKinley and protection.—Plenty of work and good wages." And on account of this great demand for castings the full crew work Sundays and nights.—Exchange.

The Roseburg Review, in a kindly criticism, asks this question: "If we are still using imported goods and paying more for them—the increased duty being added—where does the benefit to the American people come in, Bro. Daly?" In increased revenue, my s. n. It is presumed you will concede that we must have a revenue from some source. If not from a tariff, from what, or where? Then increased importations are a sign of prosperity, and that is all we claimed. But the tariff business is settled. Let's talk silver.

## Some Needed Legislation

Under this head the Lincoln County Leader has a timely editorial in its last issue. It refers to the condition existing on the Siletz reservation under the law, and asks for some much needed legislation to set matters right in that quarter. First, it asks that the law requiring the payment of \$1.50 an acre to the government for the land, be repealed and the lands opened to settlement by homestead, as other public lands. Second, that the timber act apply to the Siletz lands; that lands held in severally by the Indians be in some manner made to pay its share of the public burden. Then it has this to say: "Some modifications should be made in the leasing privileges, and some more definite interpretation of that part of the law referring to the administration of the probate court upon the property of deceased and minor Indians. This is important. Some of the most valuable farming and grazing lands on the Siletz are allotments that have been made to Indians that have since died, and who have left no heirs. These lands lie idle, going back to their wild state year by year, a constant menace and hindrance to the development and progress of the country.

T. T. Geer.

It is no doubt hard for the Oregon delegation to decide between the merits of the various candidates for office, but we think they have made a serious mistake in turning down T. T. Geer for collector of customs at Portland. For no matter whether he accepts the position of register of the Oregon City land office offered him or not, it is effectually turning him down. There is no man in Oregon who deserves recognition so well by the republican party as Mr. Geer. He has kept clear of all factional alliances, and has labored hard and successfully for the success of the party. He has the endorsement of all the best republicans in the state, and if it were put to vote would be elected by a majority of ten to one over any other republican in the state for that office. It is hard for an outsider to understand this thing, when now the lack of harmony is the one thing barring the way to republican success. But the exigencies of factional politics must be attended to at any cost—at least so it seems.

## Shipping Fruit.

Advices from the green fruit which was shipped east from this place have been received, and the result is that the grower has given away his fruit and his labor, while the railroads and the commission men have pocketed all there is in it without having incurred any risk whatever. This will never do. You can never ship green fruit through commission houses without taking desperate chances of never getting anything for it. This chance business must be transferred to someone else—the commission man, for instance. If he wants to ship your fruit let him buy it. Fruit growers must perfect arrangements to dry all their fruit. There is always a market for dried fruit. Shipping green fruit must always be attended with great risk. The grower will always be at the mercy of every circumstance, and then he is deceived, sometimes willfully, by flattering reports. Money is to be made raising and drying prunes and no unusual risk to be taken, and prune growers must confine themselves to that method until a sufficient demand exists to force dealers to buy your green fruit at the orchard.

When a newspaper breaks out spasmodically, without apparent cause, in wild denunciations of one faction of its party, and beslobbers its own faction with sickening flattery, it is not talking to its subscribers. It is squealing for swill, and aims only at the ears of those who, they think, can furnish it. And then when it prates about honor and honesty it deceives no body, for the world knows that its honesty is a cutaneous disease and not an organic affection of the brain, as the colored preacher once said of the religion of one of his neighbors.

The total value of exports of the United States for the fiscal year 1896 was \$882,606,938. Of this amount \$65,037,977 or 7.37 percent, went to the American republics. The total value of imports for the same year was \$779,724,674, of which \$137,425,888, or 17.62 percent, came from the American republics, showing a balance in our favor of \$102,882,264. That is, we sold that much more than we bought. From the American republics we seem to be buying twice as much as we sell them.

A congress has been held in Europe lately to adopt measures to buy Palestine and resettle the Hebrews there. Resolutions were passed authorizing the committee to raise a fund of fifty million dollars for that purpose, and all Jews are asked to contribute. Reports were read showing that the Jewish colonies already there are in a flourishing condition. The meeting of the congress in 1898 will be held at Jerusalem.

It looks as though "Old Pros" had struck Clatskanie once more, and all because the Dingley law was in force. Shingles are selling at \$1.00 per thousand on the dock. A gentleman bought 230,000 Saturday paying \$1.00 per thousand. While the Wilson law was in force they were sold as low here as 65 and 70 cents.—Chief.

The Salem and Waterloo woolen mills are running night and day, and are still behind with their orders. The Alaska trade seems to be the chief source from which these orders come, and blankets and mackinaw are the goods most in demand. The price paid for valley wool at these mills is 15 cents.

## LATEST TELEGRAPHIC.

### A Summary of News From Thursday's Oregonian.

#### TERSE TICKETS FROM THE WIRES.

The Latest Occurrences and Present Phases of Engrossing Questions.

#### Head End Collision.

Kansas City, Sept. 8.—A special to the Times from Emporia, Kan., says: One of the worst wrecks in the history of the Santa Fe railroad occurred three miles east of here at 7:30 tonight. Ten or eleven persons were killed, and as many more were badly hurt. The fast mail train going east, and the Mexico and California express, westbound, collided, head on. Mr. Bryan was on the train, but was riding in the rear Pullman, some 400 feet from the cars which were wrecked. He states that nothing but a heavy jolt was experienced by the passengers in his coach.

Mr. Bryan was one of the leaders in the crowd of rescuers. He helped to carry out the dead and wounded, and gave the greatest attention to their care. One poor fellow who was badly maimed, called to Mr. Bryan and said:

"I went to hear you today; I am dying now, and want to shake your hand and say God bless you.—If you possibly can, Mr. Bryan, get me a drink of water."

Mr. Bryan went into the fast mail car, one end of which was burning, and came out with a drink of water, which he gave to the suffering passenger. He brought out cushions for others of the injured, and was everywhere present to minister to the wants of the suffering.

#### The Miners' Conference.

Columbus, O., Sept. 8.—The interstate miners' convention adjourned until tomorrow without having taken a vote on the question of accepting or rejecting the proposed settlement of the strike. The prospects for the settlement are somewhat doubtful; in fact, a canvass of the situation shows that a majority of the votes, unless some changes should be brought about, will be cast against it.

#### Panama Canal.

New York Sept. 8.—A World dispatch from Colon says: It is announced here today that a concession to complete the Panama canal has been given to England.

#### Yellow Fever Scare.

Washington, Sept. 8.—Surgeon-General Wyman says the yellow fever situation looks decidedly hopeful today.

#### Treasury Statement.

Washington, Sept. 8.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows:  
Available cash bal. . . . \$216,597,520  
Gold reserve . . . . . 144,836,197

More rain has already fallen in Portland this month than the average rain fall for September for 25 years.

All the figures from Europe up to date point to a deficit in the grain crop of 112,000,000 bushels, which is to be supplied mainly by the United States.

The M. Thodists of Corvallis have reason to be proud. The conference being held here brings to the city about 75 ministers from all over the state. Their beautiful church and solid organization are a credit to them. Those attending conference were all provided for without a mistake, and all will go away from here with pleasant memories of their visit to Corvallis.

#### The Late Rains.

As we write, the weather looks more like clearing off than it has for several days. The late rain has undoubtedly injured the hop crop but not so seriously as has been reported. Mould and lice do not work while it continues to rain, but after the rain is over cloudy warm weather is bad for hops. Prunes have been injured to some extent by cracking, where they were ripe, but the unripe fruit is not injured much. Wheat has not suffered to any great extent. The inside of the shocks where it was protected from the rain is not injured at all, and the outside, although a little swelled, is not materially injured, and if it can be allowed to stand a day or two after the rain ceases it will be all right. A week of good, dry, sunny weather will come very near putting all the grain in this part of the valley out of danger, and will relieve the anxiety of many a farmer who has all his crops in the field yet.

## Short and Sweet.

Grapes grown across the river by Mr. Cardwell are on sale at the fruit stores.  
Dr. Cauthorn returned from a successful hunting trip and left for his home on Monday last.  
Two car loads of cattle were shipped to Portland this week by Smith and Horning.  
Jesse Spencer has an excellent reputation as a barber, and he has been 20 years in Corvallis earning it.  
Misses Essie and Maggie Mackay are in town visiting friends. They are both engaged as teachers at the Siletz, and will return in a day or two.  
Little Lura Flett, who was operated upon for appendicitis, is just now able to be about, having been confined to her bed for over six weeks.  
S. L. Kline returned from San Francisco yesterday, where he has been to purchase his fall stock. New goods are arriving at his store by every train.  
Prof. Henry Sheak, who holds the chair of natural science in Philomath College, was in town yesterday. He has been a teacher in this college for 22 years.  
Wheat has gone up to 80 cents again, and is climbing towards the dollar it will reach, and everything has assumed the prosperous look it had before the rain checked it.  
There is much talk of a change of landlords at the Occidental hotel. As yet it is all conjecture. If any change occurs we will give it the notice it deserves further on.  
Cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. B. W. Johnson and Miss Lillian Hamilton. The ceremony will take place at the Presbyterian church September 22nd.  
F. M. Mathena, general agent for the Continental Life Insurance Co., is in town looking after the interest of his business. This life insurance company has no superior in the United States.  
W. T. Small is putting in a new billiard table in his fruit and confectionery store. His son will run a refreshment stand in the mechanics pavilion at Portland during the manufacturers fair.  
John Scraftford has secured the job of putting an ashler around the cemetery lot where the wife of Robt. Watt is buried. It is to be of the best Pioneer stone. There will be seven posts and a gateway, with the family name carved on the entrance. The monument over the grave was brought from Portland.  
J. E. Henkle, of Philomath, was in town yesterday. He is picking his hops, of which he has about 25 to 30 acres, and he says that the rains have not seriously injured the crop. In the river bottom land lice and mould have made their appearance and done some damage, but on the high land they are all right.  
A large crowd assembled opposite the Occidental hotel on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings last to listen to one of the newly arrived Methodist ministers, who talked earnestly and eloquently, to the young men, of their mistakes and their opportunities. He was listened to with marked attention and undoubtedly set many of his hearers to thinking.

## "A TIMELY WORD"

### To the Bread Winner of the Family in Behalf of His Loved Ones at Home.

The fact is now so generally admitted it needs no argument to convince those upon whom the duty rests, that life insurance is the best protection for a man's family, his estate and his old age. The question with most men is, what form of policy will best discharge the duty and in what company to place so sacred a trust.  
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A policy which, at the end of 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, etc., years, may be surrendered for a cash sum stated in a table printed in the policy.  
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A record of fifty-one years of business economically, conservatively and successfully managed. Its strength and stability are unquestioned. Its reputation, unsullied, the care and economy with which its business is managed and the resulting benefits to its members unsurpassed. It invites investigation.  
Since organization in 1846 the Connecticut Mutual  
Received in premiums . . . . . \$12,111,805 65  
Returned to policy holders or their representatives . . . . . 3,528,817 76  
For death losses and endowments . . . . . 102,683,616 37  
For surrendered policies . . . . . 23,863,729 22  
For dividends . . . . . 85,255,783 64  
Total returned to policy holders . . . . . \$24,454,109 95  
Received from policy holders in excess of amount returned . . . . . \$457,693 72  
Received from interest, rent, etc. . . . . 84,332,793 65  
Expenses of management & taxes . . . . . 33,238,817 76  
Saving from interest earnings . . . . . 51,329,975 61  
Net assets January 1, 1897 . . . . . 69,981,571 61  
Other assets . . . . . 3,709,077 2  
Present admitted assets held for policy holders . . . . . 73,690,648 83  
In the administration of any trust this tells the whole story.  
The Oregon general agency rooms 12 and 13, Hamilton building, P. M. & J. W. Mathena general agents, Portland, Oregon.  
Any information desired in regard to the same will be furnished by John D. Daly, editor and publisher of the Oregon Union, Corvallis, Oregon.

## Corvallis Lodge Directory.

- CORVALLIS LODGE, No. 14, A F & A M, meets first and third Wednesday of each month, in Masonic hall, Fisher brick.
- FERGUSON CHAPTER, No. 5, R A M, meets second Wednesday in each month, Masonic hall.
- OREGON COUNCIL, No. 2, R & S M, meets fourth Wednesday in each month, Masonic hall.
- ST. MARY'S CHAPTER, No. 9, O E S, meets every Friday before full moon, Masonic hall.
- BARNUM LODGE, No. 7, I O O F, meets every Tuesday evening in I O O F hall, Farra & Allen brick.
- QUI VIVE ENCAMPMENT, No. 26, meets first and third Fridays of each month in I O O F hall.
- ALPHA REBEKA LODGE, No. 24, meets second and fourth Fridays of each month in I O O F hall.
- FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 14, A O U W, meets first and third Thursday of each month, in I O O F hall.
- NAOMI LODGE, No. 25, D of H, meets second and fourth Thursday of each month in I O O F hall.
- CORVALLIS TENT, No. 11, K O T M, meets second and fourth Wednesday of each month in I O O F hall.
- CORVALLIS HIVE, No. 3, I O T M, meets first and third Wednesday of each month in I O O F hall.
- VALLEY LODGE, No. 1, K of P, meets every Monday night in Burnett's hall, over J. H. Harris' store, Burnett block.
- MARYS PEAK CAMP, No. 128, W O W, meets second and fourth Fridays of each month in Burnett's hall.
- MARYS PEAK CIRCLE, No. 14, meets first and third Fridays of each month in Burnett's hall.
- ELLSWORTH POST, No. 19, G A R, meets first and third Saturdays of each month, in Burnett's hall.
- ELLSWORTH RELIEF CORPS, No. 7, meets first and third Friday afternoon, in Burnett's hall.
- UNITED ARTISANS, No. 23, meets second and fourth Thursdays of each month, in Burnett's hall.

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