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BAD FOURTH OF JULY FEATURES.

ON FOURTH OF JULY people living in the country flock to the towns and many of those living in the towns flock into the country. Each in this way get what they most need, which is complete change in their environment and the ordinary conditions by which they are surrounded.

A NEW PRESIDENT FOR THE FAIR.

THE declination of Harvey Scott of a re-election to the presidency of the Lewis and Clark exposition opens a broad question which in the interest of the city, state and nation, should be seriously considered and that at once.

POLITICAL PARTIES.

THE POPULIST party, granting that there is such a thing, presents a spectacle that would be almost pitiable if it were an entity capable of physical or mental suffering. It is in fact, however, only a shadow, a ghost, a skeleton of a defunct party, a sort of scarecrow left in the field until burning time.

BEESINGS FOR BRUMATISM.

After long experiment by bacteriologists in their employ, the H. K. Mulford company, chemists of Philadelphia, have sent agents to Texas with instructions to obtain all the beesings they can for medicinal purposes.

were represented, and these by nobody of national prominence except ex-Senator Allen of Nebraska, who is really an able man, as is also Thomas E. Watson of Georgia, who is said to adhere to this skeleton-scarecrow of a party.

While all this is true today, there are those who suppose that the Populist party may be revived by a bolt led by Mr. Bryan. If the platform adopted and the candidate nominated at St. Louis do not suit Mr. Bryan, it is expected by many that he will revolt, and head a movement in the interest of what he conceives to be a "true" Democratic party.

AT ST. LOUIS.

THE Democratic party is far from being united. It is still divided into two great wings which now confront each other at St. Louis and which may be wider apart than ever as a result of the work which will be done there.

WORD AND THE COMMERCIAL MEN.

WHAT a lovely lot of hustlers the traveling men are and how fortunate the man in politics (or out of it) who enjoys their cordial good-will. Tom Word was one of them. He was a traveling man; he is sheriff of Multnomah county. It is almost a case of putting two and two together.

Spenthrift Young Lovers.

From the New Yorker. "When young fellows begin a courtship," said Farmer Haldade of New Jersey, "they jest girls crazy, an' that they boy Jim o' mine ain't no exception."

Small Change

Noisy, after all. Young man, get a home. How much real patriotism? Let us be sane for the next 364 days. The 'east side is booming. No wonder. Better burn powder in peace than in war.

JAPAN'S HEAVY TASK.

Some Great Difficulties in Its Way of Antung. Correspondence Chicago News. Though they minister to our physical wants, the Japanese are not so ready to furnish us mental food. A question to a subordinate officer, no matter how trivial, will bring forth one of three answers:

We were allowed to go to the hospital ward where the Russian wounded were cared for. The staff officer who accompanied us had to have a written pass to get in. The Russian wounded were certainly well cared for. The doctors were kind and the nurses were separated from the men. They had plenty of bedding and looked comfortable if not happy.

These men are sick men; you must not covet them. Besides, you were asking him about numbers.

Ashtabula county accepted the fiction as gospel, and, doubtless, resented the fact because the endorsement of the latter book cost John Sherman a speakership, and perhaps the presidency also.

It is true that Tom Johnson beat Mr. Burton for congress in 1890, but that was the year the people expressed their opinion of the Fifty-first congress, and there were but 88 Republicans returned in the whole Union.



July 5.—We crossed over to the south and came along the bank of an extensive and beautiful prairie interspersed with copious growth of timber and dotted by Independence creek.

A MAN WHOM OREGON NEEDS

(Savoayed in Denver Post.) No other state in the American Union has been represented in the national house of representatives by so many able and distinguished men as Ohio. Four of her representatives attained the great dignity of president of the United States.

One of the leading men of the Fifty-eighth congress is Theodore E. Burton of Cleveland. He is big enough to kick out of the party traces, now and then, and he is big enough to crack the party whip over him and make him afraid.

There was another book written on the same subject by a woman, Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe. There was not a fact in it—fact from beginning to end. Indeed, in the light of common sense it was absurd.

It is 1888 the Republicans nominated Mr. Burton for congress and he was elected. He is not what is commonly called and generally mis-called "a man of the people."

which we called Yellow Ochre creek. From a bank of that creek we could see the mountains of the New England range. On the shores are great quantities of summer and fall grapes. Deer are not so abundant as usual, but there are numerous tracks of the whole around us.

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was the year the people expressed their opinion of the Fifty-first congress, and there were but 88 Republicans returned in the whole Union. Even a majority of the New England legislators were Democrats—three of the New England states unanimously so.

Mr. Burton has done as good work for the Great Lakes as Catchings did for the Great Lakes and the harbor bill, which he secured, is one of the most important of all the lake ports.

Mr. Burton is one of the first debaters in congress—after the order of John C. Calhoun rather than Stephen A. Douglas. He is not a genius. He is unable to jump into a debate and make a great speech on a subject he knows nothing about and cares less about.

His management of a rivers and harbors bill is the wonder and despair of his followers. There has been nothing like it in congress since that other Ohio man—greater than Burton—Robert C. Schenck, conducted the "work" of a river and harbor bill. There was not an item of the bill that Schenck did not understand and that he would not defend, and there were upwards of

Oregon Sidelights

Now put up your blackberries. Ashland is legally dry, but it has druggsters. Deer are becoming plentiful in southern Oregon. A disturbance in a Houlton church aroused the active ire of a fighting parson.

A new telephone line is to run from Eugene to Florence, on the coast, via Elmira (not N. Y.).

A man back of Goble harvested 3,000 pounds of strawberries, worth 4 cents a pound, from an acre.

Mining operations in southern Oregon and in the Bohemia district are increasing and expanding rapidly.

The carnival queen's reign is all right in its way, but some cloud's rain would be better appreciated.

It is a good time to kill thistles, of which there are too many in both town and country, all over Oregon.

Albany Democrat: Once a day is enough for any boy to bathe, and he shouldn't make it an all day affair.

Raspberries and cherries are also raised in the Hood river valley, in large quantities and of first class quality.

Ashland Tribune: Give us new sidewalks, or tear up the old ones and let us go back to the cow trails of our fathers.

The Woodburn Women's Lewis and Clark Fair club is putting up pint jars of fruit for exhibition and distribution next year.

Only a fool will steal a bicycle in Salem and sell it in Albany—Albany Democrat. Where would a wise man steal it, or sell it?

North Yamhill Record: A lady in Tillamook county advertises for a man to slash. Bachelors hereafter will go about their business in Tillamook.

Some people go to a place where there is a celebration to celebrate, and some who live there go where there is no celebration—or would like to.

About 100,000 crates of strawberries, equal to 143 carloads, were shipped from Hood River this season, and lots went to waste or were given away besides.

Hood river people, notwithstanding the Columbia river flows past their doors and Hood river through their midst, are complaining of a scarcity of water.

F. J. Hard, working Bohemia properties, will abandon the boarding and bunk-house system, and build cottages for the miners, most of whom have families.

Roosevelt and Fairbanks' unanimous nomination is explained. For several weeks before the convention, the editorial Star had kept their names at the head of its editorial columns.

The Davenport Brook mill in Wasco county has started up, with a capacity of 75,000 feet of lumber. They are building a big water ditch, and expect later to pipe water to Hood River.

Forest Grove Times: Prof. J. W. Marsh left for the east to attend the commencement exercises of the University of Vermont, from which he was graduated 47 years ago. He came to Forest Grove on the way home, and has never been back to the old home since.

Eugene Register: Albany is just now reaping the benefit of a street carnival held last city whereby a small lad aged 11 years raised a grand total of a carnivals' mood. Several young girls, infatuated with the life of carnival women, are under surveillance to prevent them taking a similar route to that of the runaway boy.

4,000 of them. He told the cost of the finished product and of the raw material, the domestic production and the foreign importation, wages at home and wages abroad, the effect on production and the effect on consumption, the consequences to trade and the consequences to revenue, and all that. His speeches stamped him as one of the greatest debaters under the five-minute rule—perhaps the greatest our country has ever produced.

Burton conducts a rivers and harbors bill after the same fashion. He knows every river and harbor in the union and in Europe. He knows the volume of water, the depth of channel, the recommendation of the engineers, the tonnage existing and the tonnage prospective.

All the time he is making a speech to the country, and so wonderful is his grasp of them that it has been said that he knows the conditions, the wants and the possibilities of commerce of all the rivers and harbors of the country better than any other congressman knows them of any one river or any one harbor.

It is a feat of memory that equals McCaulley's repeating in their order the archbishops of Canterbury and the lord chancellors.

And there is little doubt that Theodore E. Burton could manage a tariff bill as well as he does a river and harbor bill, and that is the supreme test.

A TIMELY HINT.

From the Salem Statesman.

As the time approaches for the annual meeting of the Chautauque Association at Oregon City, it will be in order to remind the management of the very inadequate sanitary conditions prevailing there last year, and of the promise to have them remedied in time for this year's assemblage. The knowledge that this has not been done, if it has been neglected, would keep many people away.

There is no spot in Oregon better suited by nature for such a gathering as usual by assemblies at the Chautauque meetings at Oregon City and the otherwise perfect surroundings should not be marred by a continuance of the sanitary conditions that have heretofore prevailed there. As a result of the gratifying financial success attending its meeting last year it was given out that the surplus funds would be used for this purpose, and the Statesman would have been pleased to announce to the public that the assurance has been consummated.