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IS THERE ANY DIFFERENCE.

The new corner stone of the new Polk county court house was laid at Dallas Wednesday Nov. 30.

In this connection it seems fitting to inquire whether it is proper for such ceremonies in connection with the founding of public buildings to be conducted by any order or society as such.

It is possible that the same method adopted by the government in taking over the Hawaiian islands may be resorted to in the case of the Philippines.

Europe for a long time has been patronizing the world as seemed good to the Monarchists, but a time has come for a halt under old practices.

THE CAPITAL JOURNAL suggests that the legislature at its next session should have a few thousand copies of the game laws printed for distribution.

TO BUILD MERCHANT MARINE.

The board of trade of Philadelphia and other seaport cities have adopted resolutions urging the government to take action looking to the protection and revival of American shipping.

We favor restoring the early American policy of discriminating duties for the upbuilding of our merchant marine and the protection of our shipping in the foreign carrying trade.

That plank was heartily approved by President McKinley in his letter of acceptance, as follows: The declaration of the republican platform in favor of the upbuilding of our merchant marine has my hearty approval.

They fear America. Hillsboro Independent: Europe for a long time has been patronizing the world as seemed good to the Monarchists.

Other German papers argue that the United States would never have dared to impose such conditions had it not been for England's support.

THE REV. IRL R. HICKS. Annual Almanac and monthly paper, Word and Works, are now known from sea to sea.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.

WASH. D. C. Nov. 28, 1898.

It is all over now, except the Spanish weeping and wailing. That ultimatum, with a time limit attachment, did the business.

Many of the most careful observers of senatorial sentiment are predicting that the anti-expansionists will be strong enough in talk, if not in votes, to prevent the ratification of the treaty of peace at the coming session of the senate.

Washington is just now the scene of some Central American diplomacy, in which this country's interests in the Nicaragua canal is one of the principal factors.

There will be the smallest number of democrats in the United States senate after March 4th, next, that there has been for 26 years.

EV-PRESIDENT Benjamin Harrison has been retained by Venezuela to represent that government before the arbitration commission that sits in Paris.

The West has for sale one year's tuition in the Holmes Business College of Portland.

The fight against Representative-elect Roberts, of Utah, is getting warm, and if it keeps up will most certainly result in his losing his seat in the next house almost as soon as he takes it.

Regardless Of Age.

The kidneys are responsible for more sickness, suffering and death than any other organs of the body.

A majority of the ills afflicting people today is traceable to kidney trouble.

The symptoms of kidney trouble are unmistakable, such as rheumatism, neuralgia, sleeplessness, pain or dull ache in the back, a desire to urinate often day or night, profuse or scanty supply.

Uric acid, or brick-dust deposit in urine are signs of clogged kidneys, causing poisoned and germ-filled blood.

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No one need be long without it as it is so easy to get at any drug store at fifty cents or one dollar.

OUR FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The following summary of the liabilities and resources of Lane county is taken from the semi-annual statement prepared by the county clerk on Nov. 23rd.

Table with 2 columns: LIABILITIES and RESOURCES. Includes items like warrants drawn on county treasurer, estimated amount of interest accrued, and funds in hands of county treasurer.

ALBANY SEEMS TO BE DESTINED TO BECOME A RAILROAD CENTER.

Eugene has equal opportunities but is behind Albany on that score. We should have a line to Lane county's seaport, Florence on the west, connecting the Southern Pacific and the East side branch on the east.

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LAUNCHING THE WISCONSIN.

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 27, 1898.

Editor THE WEST, Florence, Ore. In your issue of Nov. 18th I read of the launching of the Luella and hope soon to see the handsome craft at this port.

I herewith send you particulars of the launching of the battleship Wisconsin, the largest ship ever launched at the Union Iron Works.

Respectfully GEO. BRAINERD.

A O U W ELECTION

At their meeting last Saturday evening Perpetua Lodge A O U W of Florence elected the following officers.

STATE PRINTER LEEDS has our thanks for a copy of the General Laws enacted and Joint Resolutions and Memorials adopted by the legislature of Oregon at its twentieth session.

HOOD'S coupon

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