

When Governor Lord permitted the Portland political machine to dictate the appointment of officers for the first regiment, Oregon volunteers, he did a great injustice to many brave and valiant men, and worked an injury to the Oregon National Guard...

The Third battalion, furnished about one-fifth of the men who responded to the call for volunteers. The battalion commander in Portland has been given some consideration in the matter of appointing field officers, so long as it could supply officers who had been long in the service, and who were in every way competent.

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A FALSE FRIEND.

Hon. T. T. Geer, republican nominee for governor, poses as the friend of the people, as the "farmer statesman," called from the plow to the halls of the legislature and executive chair, the champion of the producing classes, etc. In short, Mr. Geer is looked upon by many farmers as their special champion, simply because he is a tiller of the soil, because he is sort of an old "hay seed"; but when we go into an investigation of his public career, we find that he is a "wolf in sheep's clothing."

On February 19, 1898, a bill to repeal an act to create and establish a board of railroad commissioners, having passed the house, came up in the senate, and on motion to indefinitely postpone the bill, the yeas and nays being called, Mr. Geer voted to indefinitely postpone. (See house journal, page 848.) Thus Mr. Geer voted to perpetuate the existing board, known as the railroad commission.

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SELFISH INTERESTS.

In exercising the right of suffrage every American citizen, to a certain extent, considers personal interest and is actuated to a considerable degree by selfish motives. This is in the speaking, right, for what is to be the interest of individuals, is of interest to the state and nation. An official who will serve a majority of the voters acceptably, who will meet the demands of his selfish interests, and must do so by earning his salary and honestly performing his official duties. Only by economical and honest administration can public officers serve the interests of the people.

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APPROVE IT, YES.

The senate finance committee decides to offer for the year's prosecution \$100,000 in "greenbacks," and paper inflation, pure and simple, and \$2,000,000 or so in "seigniorage," which is also paper inflation, pure and simple. This is a fine program for the party of Jefferson and Jackson, and land and sea democrats.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

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SPAIN IS BACKING DOWN.

War Against America Considered a Hopeless Cause. SPANISH GOVERNMENT IS CRUMBLING. Cabinet Almost Certain to go to Pico.

LONDON, May 11.—Advices from Madrid are very discouraging for Sagasta's government. A cabinet crisis is inevitable, and the overthrow of the government cannot longer be delayed unless Spanish arms win a decisive victory over the United States within a very short time.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—The naval board is convinced that the Spanish Atlantic fleet has returned to Cadiz. This is taken to mean that the Madrid government has given up the fight against America, and will withdraw its armies from the American continent.

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Relief for Cuban Patriots Successfully Delivered. TAMPA, Fla., May 11.—The expedition which left yesterday under command of Capt. Dewey, of the transport USS Albatross, containing supplies, arms, ammunition for the Cuban insurgents, was landed safely this morning within 50 miles of Havana.

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2 Big Drives In Wash Dress Goods FOR THIS WEEK ONLY. Special Price for this Week, 94c. Special Price for this Week, 25c.

PEASE & MAYS. ALL GOODS MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES.

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REFUSE TO OBEY ORDERS. Philippine Insurgents Continue to Murder Spaniards.

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