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MCKINLEY AND MORTON.

Morton and McKinley, on a platform of sound money and protection for American industry, would not only sweep the country, but from the very day their nomination would inaugurate an era of untold prosperity for this great and glorious nation—Brooklyn Standard-Union.

Names in a popular canvass are sometimes the most powerful of arguments.

Every voter knows that four years ago what was derisively called "McKinleyism" meant to him personally high wages, and meant to the country protection and prosperity.

Every voter knows that the mistaken abandonment of it brought panic, lower wages, less consumption, long-continued hard times.

Why should not Republicans now brush away Mr. Cleveland's cheap imitation of old Democratic devices to make the country forget their blunders at home and abroad by reviving the war spirit, and at once clarify and inspire the canvass by putting forward the one name that means to every voter in the Union a return to the old system, which gave prosperity, and the abandonment of which brought disaster?

The very name of the campaign to the true fighting ground, and furnish inspiration for the fight. Like others, he has fought for the flag and stands for the national honor and for honest money.

But, above all, he stands for the system we mistakenly abandoned in 1892, and to which the people want to get back—an aspiration in which a host of Democrats even join and will contribute their support.

Of course the Democrats will revive the old delusion of 1892, which helped them then, and which they think can be used to weaken some Republicans now.

McKinley is an extremist, they will try to make these weak Republicans say we favor a tariff, but not a fanatical tariff.

We are opposed to a constant tariff tinkering, and would rather let things alone than risk another paralysis of business, while congress is for months fighting over the details of another high protective tariff.

But we can't let things alone. The country is not raising enough revenue to meet its current expenses, and instead of manfully trying to make its receipts equal its outgo, it is borrowing money to pay its bills, and piling up a national debt again in time of peace, just as we did thirty-five years ago in time of war.

That course is madness; and there is no other, save to raise the money either by direct taxation or by a tariff. Direct taxes would destroy any American party that levied them.

From the day of George Washington down, the accepted method of money for the expenses of the general government in this country has been by a tariff, and the one thing that the people have shown that they want now is to get back to it.

Getting back to it does not mean unreasonable duties or greater burdens on trade than we have now. It does not mean a general advance on duties—the Republicans had a larger free list than Wilson left. It does not mean even the re-enactment of the McKinley tariff.

That tariff, like every other one, requires constant modifications from year to year according to the progress of manufactures, the development of inventions, the degree of foreign competition. There are a thousand circumstances affecting it, which it is the duty of a statesman to weigh, and to study from every point of view and give their proper weight in the final adjustment.

McKinley himself would not dream of meeting the McKinley tariff. It suited us then, and we prospered under it; but the circumstances are changed. He would insist on restoring the country to a genuinely protective task, and would know better than any man now living how a protective tariff could be properly adjusted to our present condition and circumstances. We want to raise money by duties in such a way as to help Americans, not Englishmen or other foreigners. That is how the voters want to get back to, and no name in the world means that today so clearly as the name of McKinley.

The nomination of McKinley and Morton would make its own argument, and with such a ticket the canvass might almost be trusted to run itself.

The meeting yesterday of all those interested in the location of a depot at Snow Day perceptively clears the railroad atmosphere and relieves a situation that has been oppressive for a number of weeks past.

The report of Chairman Parker, of the special committee, on progress made to date, which, while showing much hard work and some results accomplished, still left the matter far from a settlement; the abandonment by the committee and interested people of the project as a competitive deal; the amalgamation of all interests into one united effort to secure the central location; the calling of a general meeting

of the people to take up the question as an entirety and act all together as one people and one man to secure now the only thing that will insure immediate prosecution of railroad construction, and the clear and forcible statement of Mr. Hammond's position has placed affairs on bed rock and put everything just where the start should have been made several months ago. The whole city and every property owner in it is equally interested in this vital question. It is one that concerns the east, west and center of the city, and resolves itself into the simple proposition whether we want to see active work on the road, water front and a commodious depot, and such in Astoria proper go forward this season, or whether the chance will be taken of having nothing but a small stepping block in the city for a station, work delayed a year, and the main station located across the bay or elsewhere. It is almost a dead certainty, now that the situation is so thoroughly understood, that wise counsel will prevail to-night and steps taken to secure to Astoria the main depot, the loss of which would be irreparable and forever deplored.

The water commission of Astoria has reason to be proud of the results shown by last Wednesday's test of the new hydrant service. Probably no set of decent men in any community have been the recipients of so much unprovoked abuse and unjust criticism as the worthy and efficient business men who compose that body. Yet without stopping to make any defense or seemingly to even notice the shameful tirades of which they have so often been the victim, patiently and persistently have they pursued the even tenor of their thankless way until they are now able to turn over to the taxpayers an account of their stewardship that is simply marvellous. It is seldom that a work of the technical character and physical magnitude of the present Astoria water works can be completed within the original estimates of cost, and it is rarer still that such improvements measure up to the full capacity and standard called for in the paper plans and specifications. In the Astoria water system both of these unusual and very gratifying results have been attained, and aside from the obstacles thrown in the way of the successful completion of the work by an ignorant and misguided public opinion, the accomplishment is a testimony to the fame and skill of Engineer Adams and his trustful superiors that will increase with each year of the city's growth in size and intelligent population.

CLATSOP CITY NOTES.

What Is Going On in the Prosperous Town Across the Bay.

Clatsop, March 5, 1906.

Editor of the Astorian:

Mr. Geo. Rogers was found at a neighbor's house the day after his delirious attack. He was about two hours out in the cold rain and sleet, before he went into the house of his neighbor, a man with lungs congested so badly as to be hardly able to breathe, ever stood the strain of such an act is a mystery.

At the annual school meeting at Clatsop the old officers were re-elected. Mr. West has been a school director in this district since away back beyond the reach of this generation's memory, and Mr. Ober has served ever since his arrival in the district. The school affairs are in excellent condition, which speaks for their ability as directors.

The people here are justly proud of their school. We have nine months of school each year, the same as in the city, with the best teacher that is to be had. We have a nice school house, with convenient modern out-buildings, consisting of everything needed, including the play shed for ray, in which is the gymnasium. This latter is to be improved soon, by adding swings, bars, and other paraphernalia.

The school grounds are at the junction of two roads, and have in them three acres. One acre or more is the ball ground, and there is half an acre of lawn that is nice on hot days. The clerk often gets letters from teachers in the interior of the state, who say they are envious of teaching on the coast for the benefit of the climate.

This is a hard place for bums; 'cause why? They are apt to be taken by the nose and forced to saw wood, and when they try to enter complaint at the justice's they learn that N. Kimball Esq. is awfully deaf. The locomotive used for the saw wood, which needs to be sawed. If any bum wants a job, let his come over here and he is sure to have one before he leaves.

D. P. STAFFORD.

UNAVAILABLE TESTIMONY.

Truth.

"I'm the president of the Progressive Women's League," said the spare female with sharp features, as she grabbed the madcap with the sleeve and made him involuntarily register one of the fares he had just knocked down.

"I can't help that, ma'am," replied the conductor in a rather short tone—five cents short, as it were.

"Nobody asked you to," she went on. "I'm gathering statistics, and I spent five cents just to get on this car to interview you. The statement has been made in some of the newspapers, in an attempt to prove that our sex is incapable of handling the reins of government, that one woman gives more trouble in a public conveyance than a dozen men."

"As I was going to say," she rattled on, "such an assertion is a falsehood on the face of it, and it wouldn't be worth cents just to contradict it if men weren't so prejudiced that they believe everything that's written against our sex. Now, a your daily experience, do you think the women give you more trouble than men?"

"Perhaps I'd better put it more plainly," she said, interrupting him again. "Let me ask you now, as a conductor, would you find your work easier if no women at all rode in the cars?"

"It might be a little easier, ma'am," he replied, "but I don't see how in the world we would ever get along without them."

"Hold on!" she cried, joyfully. "Let me write down every word you've said. Once more, I see, we will be able to allude our enemies. Now, my good man, tell me why female passengers are indispensable."

"Because, ma'am," returned the conductor, "if it wasn't for the women we would get stuck on all the Canadian dimes and plucked quarters we happened to take in."

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM.

Detroit Free Press.

He—Weren you alarmed, darling, when I kissed you so suddenly in the conservatory last night?"

Darling—Not a bit. I rather thought it was you.

THE MARKETS.

Liverpool, March 12—Wheat, dull; demand, poor; No. 2 red winter, 56.6 1/2; No. 1 hard Manitoba, 56.6 1/2; No. 1 California, 57.7 1/2.

Hops—unchanged.

Portland, March 12—Wheat, Valley, 56.60; Walla Walla, 57.40/58.

A WHOLE CIRCUS FOR 10 CENTS.

It makes a grand parade with elephants, cages of animals, chariot races, gives a full performance in a ring, with ring master, clown, acrobats, bareback riders, trained dogs and elephants, winding up with the pantomime of Humpty Dumpty, including all the characters and scenery.

3 Ways to Get (Send 10 Coupons, or 1 Coupon and 10 cents, or 14 cts. without any Coupons, to Blackwell's Durham Tobacco Co., Durham, N.C.

and the Circus will be sent you postpaid. You will find 1 coupon and 10 cents in each 4 ounce bag of Blackwell's Genuine Durham Tobacco.

Buy a bag of this Celebrated Smoking Tobacco, and read the coupon, which gives a list of other premiums and how to get them.

2 CENT STAMPS ACCEPTED.

JAPANESE COMPETITION IN OREGON.

Economist.

Editor American Economist: There is competition on this Pacific Coast from China and Japan in rice and matches.

We import direct rice, rice flour, mung-bean, brica-abrac, tea and eggs. These are the only things at present. Eggs are the only thing at present. Rice is not so dear, but is sold for one cent less than American rice, and 1,000,000 pounds were entered at this port in 1905.

Japanese matches are retailed here in bunches for 3 cents. Japan at present is furnishing this market with rice flour, brica-abrac, and matches.

J. P. CLARK.

Astoria, Oregon, February 11, 1906.

Don't invite disappointment by experimenting. Depend upon One Minute Cough Cure and you have immediate remedy that produces immediate results.

Chas. Rogers.

BUYERS AND SELLERS.

The following transfers were filed for record yesterday at the office of County Recorder Gunderson:

Ed. J. Gonyer to Thomas H. Loughrey, Lot 1, Block 11, Laurel Park.

Sherriff of Clatsop county to Mutual Trust Co., Lots 1, 2 and 3, section 12, and Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, section 14, township 3 north, range 3 west.

Clatsop county to M. Goldsmith, quit claim deed on Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, section 14, township 3 north, range 3 west.

Mutual Trust Company to M. J. Kinney, Block 31, McClure's Astoria.

F. Ephraim to California Spot Cash Mercantile Co., south 1/2 acre of Chelsea Railroad addition, township 3 north, range 3 west.

United States to Betty Anderson, south half of the northeast quarter of Lots 1 and 2, section 1, township 5 north, range 3 west.

Mutual Trust Company to M. J. Kinney, Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, section 14, township 3 north, range 3 west.

ROYAL Baking Powder.

Highest of all in leavening strength.—U. S. Government Report.

Justice Hawkins of London has been at it again. "You are charged with trying to commit suicide," he said sternly, to the priest who had just been arrested for the murder of his wife. "I was driven to it by a woman," Hum' mused his lordship. "Then suddenly, did she marry you?"—London Globe.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

NOT INTERESTING TO NOAH.

Denver Road.

Newly Arrived Spirit—Who was that weirdly armed personage that yawned so dimly when I was talking about the tremendous rain they are having on the earth? Resident Spirit—That was Noah.

"Give me a liver regulator and I can regulate a liver," said a genius. The druggist handed him a bottle of Dr. Williams' Little Blue Pills, the famous little pills. Chas. Rogers.

The March number of Romance is the most interesting of the series, since its change into an illustrated magazine. It contains a pathetic little story, a charming poem by Chen Roxford, and illustrated articles upon a half dozen timely subjects. There is a good anecdote told in its brief little story about dogs, while the article on the next Paris exposition gives an idea of the trend of talk about the great French fair of 1906. Sir Frederick Leighton's portrait and reproductions of some of his pictures are timely reminiscences of the great English painter. Besides this variety Romance contains articles upon artists and actors, upon new public buildings, upon authors and celebrities, into the narrow space at its command in a way to furnish the utmost pleasure and information possible within the bounds of an inexpensive publication.

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA BALM.

The best balm in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblain, Corns, and All Skin Eruptions, and positively Cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price, 25 cents per box. For sale by Chas. Rogers, Old Fellow's building.

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A HOUSEHOLD TRUSTFUND.

D. W. Fuller, of Canajoharie, N. Y., says that he always keeps Dr. King's New Discovery in the house and his family has always found the very best results follow its use; that he would not be without it, if procurable. G. A. Dykeman, Druggist, Canajoharie, N. Y., says that he has used Dr. King's New Discovery in his family for eight years and that it has never failed to do all that he claimed for it. Why? Because it is so long tried and tested that it has been free at Chas. Rogers' drug store. Regular price 50c. and 75c.

IN WINTER.

Fast weather rises in our way. With us so much more front will satisfy the taxes charged thereon, together with the cost and expense, and for want of personal property to make said taxes I have leveled upon, and on Saturday, the 14th day of March, 1896, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy said taxes, costs and charges, more the delinquent taxpayers of said city in and named in said roll, and if none to be found, then upon the real property assessed to such delinquents on said roll, or so much thereof as will satisfy the taxes charged thereon, together with the cost and expense, and for want of personal property to make said taxes I have leveled upon, and on Saturday, the 14th day of March, 1896, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. 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